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TWO DIRECTORS FREED: SEVEN BRITONS STILL DETAINED BY JAPANESE

Anti-British Group Probably Irritated

IT WAS STATED IN LONDON YESTERDAY, according to a Reuter message, that six of the arrested Britons in Japan are now released but there are still seven under detention.

Altogether thirteen, of whom the late Mr. M. J. Cox, of Reuter's, was one, were taken into custody on the pretext of suspected espionage.

The two men released yesterday were:—

MR. T. G. ELY, Managing Director of the Rising Sun Petroleum Company Ltd., Yokohama; and

MR. J. F. DRUMMOND, Director of Frazar and Company Ltd., Osaka.

The four Britons released on Wednesday were Mr. R. T. Holder, Chairman of the British Association of Japan (Kobe branch), Mr. F. M. Jonas, Mr. H. M. MacNaughten and Mr. E. G. Price.

Still in custody are Capt. C. E. N. James, R. N. (Retd.), Messrs. E. W. James, L. T. Woolley, J. E. James, Vanyas Ringer, M. C. G. Ringer and D. E. Stratford.

UNFRIENDLY ACT BY AMERICA

JAPANESE AND BAN ON PETROL

TOKYO, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—The United States Government ban on the export of aviation petrol will not affect Japan's military operations, a Navy Office spokesman said at a Press conference.

He stated: "Under whatever pretext it is to be enforced, the action represents an anti-Japanese move and is calculated to bring economic pressure to bear upon Japan, constituting as it does, an unfriendly act."

"If the United States pursues such a course she may have fully considered the international repercussions which such an action is bound to cause."

Preparing To Depart As Armed Raider

NEW YORK, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—The German freighter Wesser (Wesser?) anchored at Punta Arenas since the outbreak of the war, was preparing to depart as an armed raider, according to a despatch to the New York Times, from San Jose, Costa Rica.

The correspondent says that according to the Prensa Libre Funds, which the Costa Rica Government allowed for subsistence of crews of German ships, they have been used to prepare the ship for a voyage in violation of the Costa Rican neutrality.

N.E.I. SUGAR FOR INDIA

SIMLA, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—The Government has decided to issue an open general licence for importation from the Netherlands East Indies of all goods, including sugar.

The latter Government has voluntarily undertaken to restrict her sugar exports to India during the current year to 35,000 tons.

NEW GUINEA IN DEFENCE SYSTEM

CANBERRA, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—The mandated territory of New Guinea has been incorporated into the Australian defence system by a regulation issued under the Defence Act, which names Papua and New Guinea as constituting the eight Australian military districts.

Being under mandate, Australia is empowered to provide protection for New Guinea.

SALVATION ARMY BRANDED

JAPANESE ACTION IN PEIPING

PEIPING, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—Leading officers of the Salvation Army here were requested to visit Gendarmerie Headquarters yesterday morning to report on their organization's activities, according to the Peking Chronicle.

The paper brands the Salvation Army, which it says "receives funds regularly from London," as "being rather sympathetic with anti-Japanese elements in the past."

The paper adds that the Gendarmerie also examined 43 Chinese members of the Salvation Army from Tientsin at their headquarters yesterday.

Six foreign members, including four women were examined, while Major and Mrs. Walker were subjected to Gendarmerie questioning at Peking.

Czechs Will Soon Be With R.A.F.

A Reuter message from London states that the Czechs training in Britain are now fitted out in British khaki.

Czech forces will be self-contained units but will be under the British High Command.

The Czech Air Force, which is re-organized and under training, will soon be ready to take its place beside the Royal Air Force.

THE LEGAL ASPECT OF EVACUATION: "DOMICILE" DEFINED

(Special to the Hongkong Daily Press)

The Hongkong Daily Press was yesterday able to obtain authoritative opinion on the legal aspect of the Hongkong Government's Evacuation scheme, insofar as it is related to a statement made by the Government spokesman in this Colony.

The acting Colonial Secretary, Mr. R. A. C. North, replying in the Legislative Council last week to a question put to the Government by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, said:

"In view of the present world situation, it has been considered expedient to remove from the Colony as many as possible of those women and children who are NOT NORMALLY DOMICILED here, and can most conveniently be established elsewhere."

"NORMAL DOMICILE"

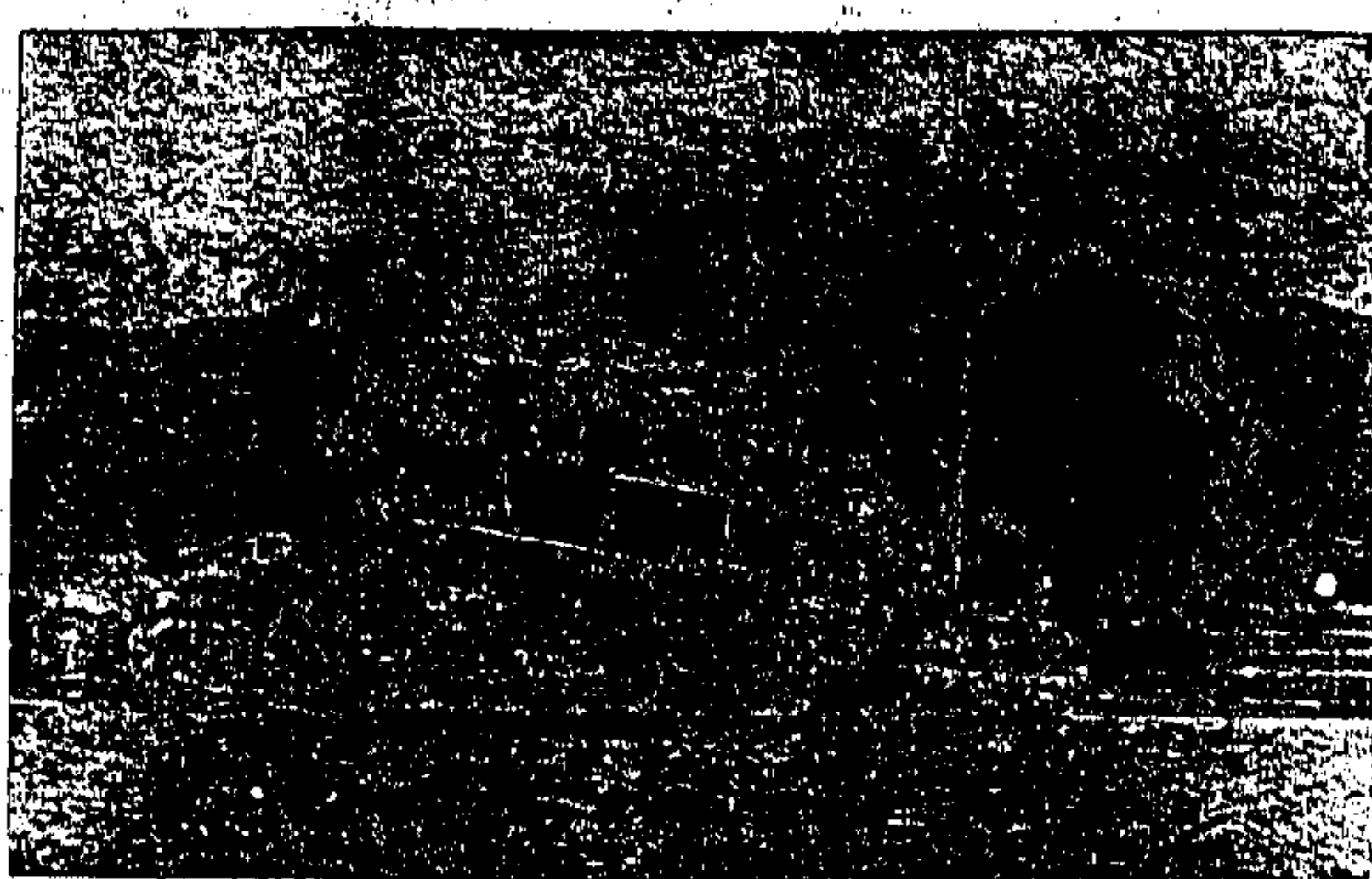
If this statement is correct, then the phrase "normally domiciled" means normally resident, implying that a person intends to make a place his home and has every intention of residing therein.

A man can only have one domicile, according to the legal authorities consulted, and those "not normally domiciled" in this Colony must refer to men and their families who have come to Hongkong either attached to the Army, Navy, Air Force or the Government service.

It would also apply to those who come out to the Colony from England on a contract basis for terms of two, three or five years and who eventually, upon the termination of

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REPORTED SUNK BY AIR ATTACK



Picture shows H.M.S. Delight, formerly of the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla, China Station, which is reported to have been sunk by an air attack. Of 1,375 tons, she carried four 4.7-inch guns and one 3-inch H.A. She was recommissioned on April 3, 1938. Her officers were Commander M. Fogg-Elliott, Lt. Y. A. Wright-Boycott, Lt. C. F. Parker, Lt. J. B. Lamb, Lt. (E) H. R. Adams and Gunner S. W. G. Hubert.

British Ship Detained By Japanese

SHANGHAI, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—The British vessel, Lee Sang was detained three-and-a-half hours this morning by a Japanese warship.

The Lee Sang, 4,000 tons, is owned by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company.

Bound from Hongkong to Shanghai, she put in at a typhoon shelter and there was detained by the Japanese warship from 7 until 10.30 a.m. when she was released.

RAIL TRAGEDY: 41 KILLED

AKRON, OHIO, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—All 41 passengers of a railway motor carriage were killed when the vehicle collided with a goods train.

The carriage, which was petrol-driven, burst into flames.

BRIG. PIENAAR

JOHANNESBURG, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—It is now revealed that the Commander of the South African forces in East Africa, is Brigadier D. H. Pienaar, who had wide experience of fighting in East Africa in the Great War.

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KONOYE CABINET NOW SPEAKS OF CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ORDER IN GREATER EAST ASIA

Lengthy Statement On Policy Issued

TOKYO, AUG. 1 (REUTERS).—THE NEW JAPANESE GOVERNMENT TODAY ISSUED A LENGTHY STATEMENT ON ITS POLICY, in which it says that the world stands at a great historic turning point and it is an urgent necessity that we should grasp the inevitable trends of history and strive for the perfection of the State structure for national defence.

THE STATEMENT sets forth in great detail new and fundamental national policies, giving as a first step the construction of a new order in Greater East Asia having for its foundation the solidarity of Japan, "Manchukuo" and China.

The foreign policy will be directed first towards complete settlement of the China affair.

There must be a complete renovation of the domestic administration, involving reform and education to meet bureaucracy, national defence economy, including co-operative economy between Japan, China and "Manchukuo," control of banks, adaptation of the foreign trade policy to suit the new world situation, self-sufficiency of daily necessities, epoch-making expansion of vital industries, rationalisation of production, better transport, and maintenance of the standard of living to enable the nation to lead a plain, solid and vigorous life.

MR. MATSUOKA EXPLAINS

The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, explained Japan's new policy in an interview with the Press and said that Japan henceforth would never endeavour to shake hands with those countries which refused to co-operate with her, and the "pat on the back policy" would be abandoned for good.

As regards the European war, a non-involvement policy would be adhered to for the time being but he declined to give any further commitment there and then.

He added, "It goes without saying that Great East Asia, includes the South Sea region."

100 EVACUEES WILL GO DIRECT TO AUSTRALIA; CURRENCY INSTRUCTION

It is learned that a comparatively small number of evacuees, about a hundred, are leaving on board a liner direct for Australia during the week-end.

Prospective evacuees have been issued with direct instructions by letter as to the disposition of their baggage, the amount allowed, as well as the time when they are expected to be at the Kowloon Wharves.

Another official letter of instruction was sent out yesterday.

The liner will carry more baggage for the evacuees who have already left Manila for Australia, as well as the luggage of the present evacuees, the arrangements for which were completed a week ago.

Evacuees are to assemble at the Kowloon Wharves at 8 p.m. on Saturday, according to one of the officials in charge of the evacuation.

In one of the latest letters of instruction, evacuees are advised not to carry any Hongkong currency with them, so as to avoid exchange complications and difficulties, but instead are instructed to provide themselves with either sterling or Australian currency.

Furthermore, in order to avoid complaints of discrimination, prospective evacuees have been notified by letter that they can travel by three different classes, A, B, and C, which are graded according to fares.

Thus evacuees will be able to travel in comfort that they can afford. There are no difficulties about passport requirements, as the evacuees have their instructions and the matter has been properly arranged.

GALLANT SERVICES IN FIELD IN NORWAY

ARANDORA STAR HEROISM

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—A further list of awards for distinguished services in the field in Norway includes CAPT. (now Major) MICHAEL HENRY HAMILTON BAILY, 12th Field Force Regiment, Indian Army, receives the Distinguished Service Order.

Military Crosses are conferred on Capt. (temporary Major) John Hargreaves Elwes, Scots Guards; Capt. (acting Major) Arthur Charles William May, Highland Light Infantry;

Capt. (now Major) William Morgan Evans, R. A. M. C.; Capt. Michael Joseph Kohane, M. C. (bar to); Capt. John Cuthbert Hudson, 9th Gurkha Rifles; Capt. William Somerville, 3rd Gurkha Rifles; Capt. Edward Francis Peter Armitage, Royal Scots.

SACRIFICED LIFE

The name has just been revealed of the British officer who heroically sacrificed his life to save one of the airmen, for which he was responsible, when the Arandora Star was torpedoed.

He is Brevet Major Christopher Bethell, officer commanding the military guard over the Germans and Italians, who were being taken to Canada. As the vessel was sinking, he gave his lifebelt to one of the internees, and then walked to the bridge, where he went down alongside the Captain of the ship.

R. A. F. CASUALTY

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—Pilot Officer Brian Henry Black, former rugby international and one of the most versatile athletes of his generation, is reported in the latest R. A. F. casualty list as having died on active service.

BAR TO M. C.

The War Office states that in the list of awards issued for publication yesterday Lt. (temp. Capt.) Basil Oscar Paul Eugster M. C. Irish Guards, and Lt. (temp. Capt.) John Hume Prendergast M. C. 15th Punjab Regiment, have been awarded the bar to the Military Cross and are not members of the D. S. O., as stated by the War Office.

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique states: "Our fighters intercepted and engaged a small force of enemy aircraft which approached the south-east coast yesterday evening. An enemy fighter was shot down. Two of our fighters failed to return from yesterday's patrol."

WHOLESALE PRICES IN THE COLONY

The Superintendent of Imports and Exports releases for publication the following tables of wholesale price index numbers in the Colony of Hongkong.

The index—which is unweighted—has been constructed from declarations furnished to the Statistical Branch of the Imports and Exports Department by importers.

There was a general average increase of 9.6 per cent. in the 2nd Quarter of 1940 as compared with the 1st Quarter of 1940; and of 41.4 per cent. as compared with the 2nd Quarter of 1939.

(Average for Year 1922=100)

FOODSTUFFS					
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
1938	144.0	134.3	122.9	125.0	131.6
1939	128.6	125.6	134.4	151.2	134.9
1940	158.2	174.2			

TEXTILES					
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
1938	119.0	116.5	116.7	112.2	116.1
1939	98.7	107.8	98.6	119.7	106.2
1940	131.1	150.0			

METALS AND MINERALS					
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
1938	157.5	147.2	142.6	141.8	147.3
1939	143.4	141.3	140.8	154.1	145.0
1940	101.4	211.9			

MISCELLANEOUS					
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
1938	131.7	130.3	126.0	121.1	127.3
1939	120.9	120.1	121.7	140.9	125.9
1940	157.7	163.9			

GENERAL AVERAGE (ALL GROUPS)					
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
1938	138.1	132.1	127.0	125.0	130.6
1939	122.9	123.8	123.9	141.5	128.0
1940	159.6	175.0			

INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

FOODSTUFFS

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Beans					
1938	161.6	136.5	119.8	125.6	135.9
1939	121.5	123.6	105.9	125.5	119.1
1940	154.8	164.2			
Beef					
1938	175.9	175.9	172.2	188.9	178.2
1939	235.2	211.1	223.4	274.1	236.0
1940	287.0	227.8			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Eggs					
1938	120.0	89.3	89.3	114.7	103.3
1939	117.3	102.7	177.3	205.3	150.7
1940	174.7	140.0			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Flour (Wheat)					
1938	132.6	124.1	110.7	97.1	116.1
1939	90.8	80.4	88.5	103.0	90.7
1940	121.5	153.8			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Salt Fish					
1938	115.8	99.2	95.0	90.8	100.2
1939	100.0	106.7	125.0	152.5	121.1
1940	138.8	134.2			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Fruits, Fresh					
1938	308.4	361.1	315.5	227.7	303.2
1939	273.8	232.7	355.2	228.2	272.5
1940	243.9	590.5			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Lard					
1938	133.1	114.9	83.3	90.9	105.6
1939	83.6	82.5	76.9	102.7	86.4
1940	127.9	114.8			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Milk (Condensed)					
1938	126.9	129.0	132.5	132.6	130.3
1939	132.5	132.5	132.5	153.2	137.7
1940	163.5	167.8			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Mutton					
1938	166.7	212.1	181.8	189.4	187.5
1939	167.6	208.0	165.2	162.1	172.1
1940	145.5	181.8			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Onions					
1938	162.4	127.9	122.8	123.9	134.3
1939	117.8	109.4	55.7	118.0	100.2
1940	159.9	138.8			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Peanut Oil					
1938	140.9	107.9	97.8	99.9	111.6
1939	105.0	115.8	120.6	151.6	123.3
1940	183.5	163.7			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Pork					
1938	148.3	125.8	98.3	125.0	124.4
1939	145.0	140.8	155.8	180.8	156.6
1940	167.5	179.2			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Potatoes					
1938	153.9	130.8	117.4	136.6	134.7
1939	130.3	122.8	96.9	136.9	124.0
1940	127.3	129.9			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Poultry					
1938	131.4	114.7	94.9	131.4	118.1
1939	135.9	130.8	149.3	167.3	145.8
1940	157.0	173.7			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Rice (Broken)					
1938	135.1	130.8	120.4	117.1	125.8
1939	111.5	110.9	109.8	123.2	113.9
1940	157.6	158.1			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Rice (White)					
1938	122.5	115.6	124.1	121.5	120.9
1939	102.4	105.2	110.4	117.9	109.0
1940	137.6	134.9			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Sugar (Raw)					
1938	101.1	84.6	81.9	76.2	86.0
1939	86.5	86.4	107.8	152.1	108.2
1940	148.3	164.9			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Vegetables (Dried etc.)					
1938	75.0	48.6	53.0	61.3	59.5
1939	63.7	41.1	40.5	58.0	50.8
1940	67.3	52.8			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Vermicelli					
1938	124.4	122.8	124.6	124.0	123.9
1939	123.8	144.0	158.3	160.8	146.2
1940	145.8	141.0			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Cotton Yarn					
1938	123.4	128.4	117.5	108.6	119.5
1939	102.8	102.3	98.7	102.8	101.2
1940	125.0	138.6			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Cottons (Dyed, Plain)					
1938	101.4	101.5	97.1	81.2	95.3
1939	75.4	89.9	76.8	88.4	82.6
1940	89.9	114.5			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Italian (Dyed, Figured & Plain)					
1938	100.7	98.7	76.8	118.3	90.8
1939	59.4	88.2	50.7	60.1	64.1
1940	60.2	80.4			

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Average
Shirtings (White 40/43 Yards)					
1938	75.1	71.9	73.6	56.1	69.2
1939	54.1	58.0	49.4	55.3	54.2
1940	57.9	74.4			

JUNE ACCOUNTS OF B.W.O.F.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

The statement of accounts of the British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong for June, 1940, is as follows:—

RECEIPTS	
To balance, brought forward at June 1, 1940.....	\$104,501.92
To donations and subscriptions, June.....	\$25,467.43
To Sales—Stamps \$2,323.40; Central Hospital Supply service badge \$1 (\$2,324.40).	
To interest on Bank current account.....	\$338.41
Total.....	\$132,630.16

PAYMENTS	
By purchases—Knitting wool, gauze dressings and sewing materials.....	\$5,559.55
By packing, transport and insurance.....	\$482.68
By Office expenses—Salaries and wages \$278; stationery and printing \$17.10; stamps and postage \$24.50; advertising \$4; postal labels \$265; telephone removal \$5; travelling \$1; petty 75 (Total \$594.86).	
Expenditure for June, 1940.....	\$6,070.09
By balance—monies in hand on June 30, 1940—Current Hongkong and Shanghai Bank \$125,969.83; Petty cash \$53.14 (\$126,023.07).	
Total.....	\$132,630.16

ACKNOWLEDGMENT	
The Hongkong Refugee and Social Welfare Council acknowledges receipt of the following gifts in kind and donations for the month of July:—	
200 Pcs. Firewood, Sandakan C.C.; Freight on firewood, Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Orange, Orange Fertilizer Co.; 200 Pcs. Firewood, Sandakan C.C.; Freight on firewood, Jardine, Matheson & Co.; 200 Pcs. Firewood, Sandakan C.C.; Freight on firewood, Jardine, Matheson & Co.	

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DONATIONS	
Mr. R. Edwards (Jr.) \$5, Chinese Customs, Macao 498, Mrs. Furse 8, Refund from Salvation Army for teachers' salaries (part of Govt. Grant) 105, St. Stephen's Girls' College 60, Lady Pollock's appeal for Food Kitchen 1,700, Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China (contribution for office expenses) 45.50, Five Sympathisers 50.	

ANTI-T.B. ASSON.	
The Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association gratefully acknowledges the following donations and subscriptions:—	
Miss M. B. Hall \$100, Cheung Man Tung 100, Rev. E. Moreton 5, J. E. Joseph 5, James Choa 5, Leung Cho-U. 5, Richard Tak 5, Li Clinic 4, World Drug Co. 5, Chan Lan Fong 5, Chung Sing Benevolent Society 5.	

METALS AND MINERALS	
Brass Sheets	
1938	156.1 131.7 128.8 133.4 137.5
1939	151.9 147.3 133.1 168.9 149.8
1940	205.3 215.3

Iron and Steel Bars	
1938	241.7 258.3 208.0 201.8 227.5
1939	187.2 189.4 205.7 205.7 197.0
1940	247.0 304.6

Iron and Steel Nails	
1938	181.6 160.7 154.3 152.3 162.2
1939	156.2 162.4 138.5 176.5 156.4
1940	241.2 236.8

Iron and Steel Plates	
1938	239.3 263.6 292.7 259.4 263.8
1939	239.1 235.1 234.2 229.3 234.4
1940	300.0 309.5

Lead (Pig)	
1938	151.4 148.9 139.6 138.6 144.6
1939	139.4 139.7 141.7 179.0 150.0
1940	202.6 230.4

Kerosene	
1938	89.8 45.0 48.2 35.4 49.6
1939	36.5 36.5 34.9 34.9 35.7
1940	64.6 68.8

Oil Fuel	
1938	192.1 141.1 133.2 145.1 152.9
1939	158.8 155.5 146.2 218.1 169.7
1940	228.0 209.2

Lubricating Oil	
1938	87.0 98.2 90.2 105.6 95.3
1939	105.8 88.7 97.5 92.6 95.6
1940	95.4 131.2

Petrol	
1938	40.4 31.0 30.6 28.6 32.7
1939	34.7 31.0 39.1 45.8 37.7
1940	70.7 65.0

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1938	246.9 220.8 22

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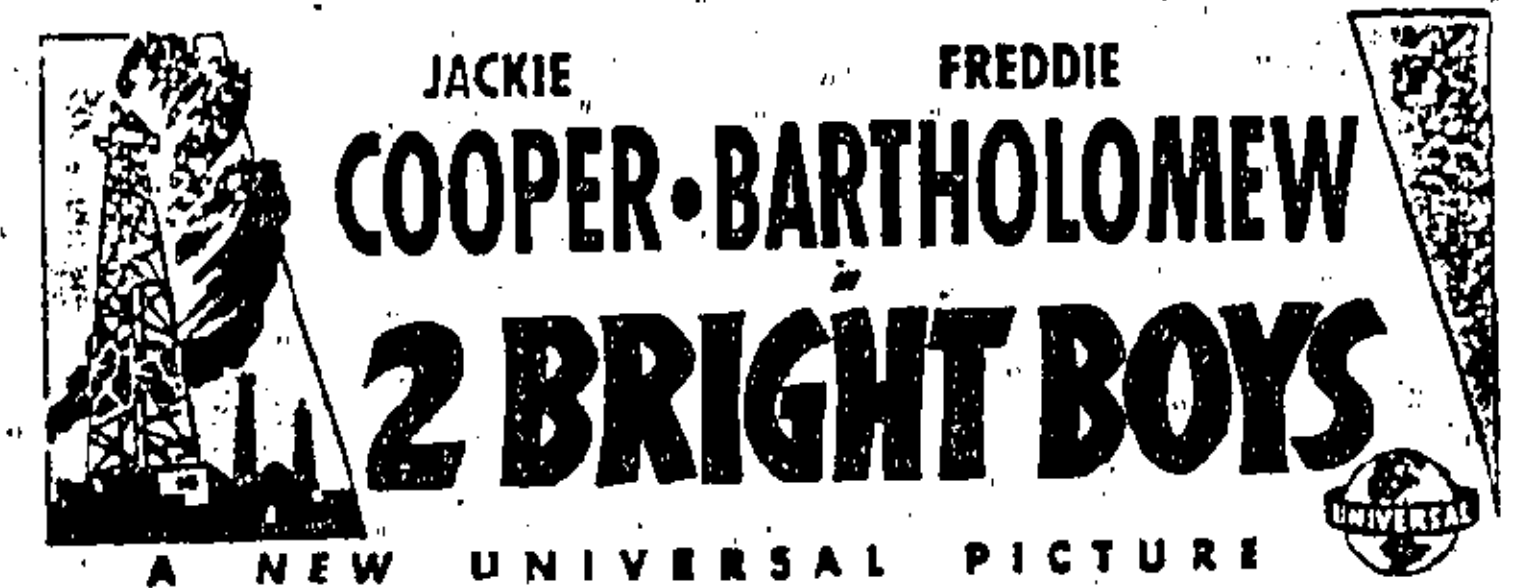
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QUEEN VISITS FRENCH WOUNDED

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter) — Her Majesty the Queen spent two hours yesterday visiting wounded French soldiers, sailors and airmen convalescing in the London area. French soldiers in British battle dress and steel helmets formed a guard of honour. The Queen spoke to a number of wounded men.

The death occurred in Honolulu, on July 28, of Mrs. Cheuk Tong-tse, mother of the late Tse Tsok-kai and of Tse Tsok-sun and Tse Tsok-chow.

FREE CABLES TO U.S. EVACUEES

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter) — Arrangements for free cables between parents in the United Kingdom and their children evacuated overseas under the Government scheme have now been completed. The cost is to be borne by Messrs. Cable and Wireless, Ltd., and details of this generous gift will shortly be communicated to parents.

The death occurred in Kobe, Japan, on July 22, after a brief illness, of Mr. Luiz Gonzaga de Brito, aged 53.

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

2—Tides: High 7.15 a.m. and 8.12 p.m. Low 12.50 a.m. and 2.51 p.m. Sunrise: 5.15 a.m.; Sunset: 7.03 p.m. Crown Land Sale, D.O., South, 11 a.m.

Sale of Race Ponies at Jockey Club Paddock, 5.30 p.m.

Volunteer Nursing Detachment, Lecture on First Aid, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Kowloon Union Church Club Meeting, 8 p.m.

Cheero Club, Darts and Table Tennis.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

3—Tides: High 8.03 a.m. and 9.48 p.m. Low 1.41 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. Sunrise: 5.58 a.m.; Sunset: 7.03 p.m. H.K. Evacuees due to leave for Australia.

Volunteer Nursing Detachment, Anti-Gas Instruction, Headquarters, 3 p.m.

4—Tides: High 8.58 a.m. and 10.32 p.m. Low 2.31 a.m. and 4.06 p.m. Sunrise: 5.56 a.m.; Sunset: 7.02 p.m. Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.

Chung Sing Benevolent Society, Swimming Gala, 8 p.m.

Baseball League.

5—Tides: High 9.49 a.m. and 11.01 p.m. Low 3.19 a.m. and 4.46 p.m. Sunrise: 5.58 a.m.; Sunset: 7.02 p.m. Bank Holiday.

6—Tides: High 10.40 a.m. and 11.40 p.m. Low 4.09 a.m. and 5.31 p.m. Sunrise: 5.57 a.m.; Sunset: 7.01 p.m. Annual Meeting of H.K.R.A., Hongkong Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m.

Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.

7—Tides: High 11.29 a.m. Low 4.59 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunrise: 5.57 a.m.; Sunset: 7.01 p.m. Claims against estate of George Nechett due.

DESTRY RIDES AGAIN

Marlene Dietrich, who has created dozens of women's fashions, introduces "diamond dust" as her latest contribution to feminine allure in Universal's "Destry Rides Again," now at the King's Theatre.

Although Miss Dietrich's role as a dance-hall entertainer is a complete departure from her recent screen appearances, the blonde star retains all her far-famed glamour and even adds a new glamourizing substance in the form of a hair decoration called diamond dust.

Hal Mohr, veteran cameraman who photographed "Destry Rides Again," discovered the substance, and Miss Dietrich is the first star to wear it on the screen.

She wears ostrich plumes in her new picture in scenes with James Stewart, Mischa Auer, Charles Winninger, Brian Donlevy and other members of the cast.

At the War Memorial Hospital, on July 31, a son was born to Joan (nee Fryer-Smith), wife of Mr. Philip E. Williams, Tea Adviser to the Chinese Government.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Piano Duets by Rawles and Landauer.

1.03 Albert Sandier and His Orchestra. Fantasy (Strauss—arr. Rawles and Landauer). Gipsy Baron (Fantasy—Strauss—arr. Rawles and Landauer). Roses in December (film "Life of the Party"). Rosalie (from the film).

12.44 Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra. Collect. Selection: The Great Ziegfeld-Selection. Fox-Trots—Some Other Time; On Treasure Island. Quickstep—Goosey Goosey.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Albert Sandier and His Orchestra and Charles Kullman (Tenor). Prelude (Haydn Wood); For Love Of You (from the film)—Albert Sandier and His Orchestra. The World Is Mine Tonight (Marvell and Potford)—Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orchestra. Song of the Nightingale (Hudson and Albright); The Second Serenade (Jonny Heykens)—Albert Sandier and His Orchestra. Come Back To Sorrento (De Curtis). Serenade (Ravina's Serenade)—Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orchestra. Gipsy Moon (Borgano); Bird Songs at Eventide (Eric Coates)—Albert Sandier and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado."

So Please You Sir—Elsie Griffin, Aileen Davies, Bertha Elburn, Leo Sheffield and Chorus. Were You Not To Ko-Ko-Flighted—Elsie Griffin and Derek Oldham. I Am So Proud—Leo Sheffield, Henry A. Lynton & George Baker. The Sun, Whose Rays Are All Ablaze—Elsie Griffin, Brightly Griffin, Denis Hemmingsway, Derek Oldham and George Baker. Here's A How-De-Do—Elsie Griffin, Derek Oldham and Henry A. Lynton. Mi-Ya-Sa-Ma—Bertha Elburn, Darrel Fancourt and Chorus. The Criminal Cried—Aileen Davies, Henry A. Lynton, Leo Sheffield and Chorus.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—My Capri Serenade—Ambrose and His Orchestra. Quickstep—Dancing is another name for love (film "Come out and play")—Mantovani & His Music for Dancing.

Fox-Trot—Let the Curtain Come Down—Rainbow Valley—Jack Payne and His Band. Waltz—As Round and Round We Go (from "Haw-Haw")—Fox-Trot—The Gaucho Serenade—Swing and Sway with Sammy Kaye.

Comedy Fox-Trot—Me and the Moke and Liza; Quickstep—Walkin' Thru' Modern—Bert Lazo—Jack Payne and His Band. Instrumental Fox-Trots—The Sphinx; Flea on a Spruce—Teddy Powell and His Orchestra. Slow Fox-Trot—Indian Summer; Fox-Trot—Oh, Mamma Mia—Gerald and The Savoy Hotel Orchestra. Tango—Mala Junta; La Tablada—Gerald and The Savoy Hotel Orchestra. Quickstep—His Argentine Orchestra. Quickstep—A Boy Coming Home On Leave; Fox-Trot—Arm in Arm—Sydney Lipton and His Grosvenor House Dance Orchestra. Waltz—Start The Day Right (from "Haw-Haw")—Fox-Trot—Parade of the Little White Mice—Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians. Slow Fox-Trots—I'm Praying Tonight for the Old Folks at Home—No Souvenirs—Gerald and His Savoy Hotel Orchestra.

7.02 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.04 A Welsh Programme.

The Holly (Welsh Folk Song); Ploughing Song (Welsh Folk Song); Maltreath Dyke (Welsh Folk Song); Will thou have a Lad like Me (Welsh Folk Song)—Mable Parry (Soprano) in Welsh. David of the White Rock (Trad.); The Vale of Llangollen (Trad.); The Stars in Heaven are Bright (Trad.); She Must Be Mine (Trad.); Ben Morgan (Tenor) with Piano. In Welsh. The Frailty of Life (Harrickup); The Blacksmith's Song (Nantglyn); The March of the Men of Harlech—Rhonda Welsh Clet Singers with Piano in Welsh.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 A Variety Programme.

Vocal—It's Swell of You (film "Wake Up and Live"); Never In A Million Years (film "Wake Up and Live")—Alice Faye with Orchestra. Humorous Sketch—Sandy Plays in the Test Match (Thomson)—Sandy Powell and Company. Vocal—Daddy Wouldn't Buy Me A Bow-Tie (Tabart); Little Annie Rooney (Nolan); The Maestro (Quintette) with Piano. Comedienne—In The Parlour When The Company's Gone (Western); Park Yourself Close to Me (Flynn-Butler)—Elsie and Doris Waters with Piano. Vocal—The Island of Maui Hula (Johnson and Noble); Rhythm of the Waves (Stewart and Others); Tony Martin with Maudie Klein and His Swingin' Sixes. Vocal—There's A Lull in My Life (film "Wake Up and Live"); Wake Up and Live (from the film)—Alice Faye with Orchestra. Humorous—If You Pretend You're Blue (Handley & Others). Scientifically, of course! (Handley & Others)—Murgatroyd and Winterbottom with Piano. Piano—Sweet and Lovely (Lemare and Others); Many Happy Returns of the Day. Intro: Twilight Waltz—Rale da Costa. Comedians—Whoops We Go Again (Harvey); We Like Eliza (Harvey)—Al and Bob Harvey with Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs." By Wickham Steed.

9.45 A Request Classical Programme.

Overture "William Tell" (Rossini)—Boston Promenade Orchestra cond. by Arthur Fiedler. Prelude (Fagiolini)—Leoncavallo—Dennis Noble (Bartone) with Sadler's Wells Orchestra. Legend, Op. 17 (Wieniawski)—Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and Orchestra Des Concerts Colonne cond. by Georges Enesco. Song of the Volga Boatmen (Koenemann)—Theodore Chailaphne (Bass) with Orchestra. From "Finlandia" (Sibelius)—Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra. See here, thy fowtett ("Carmen"—Bizet)—Benjamin Gigli (Tenor) with Orchestra. Nocturne in G Minor, Op. 15, No. 3 (Chopin); Nocturne in F Sharp Major, Op. 15, No. 2 (Chopin)—Arthur Rubinstein (Piano). Like a Dream ("Marta"—Fictor)—Justi Bjorling (Tenor) with Orchestra. Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64 (Mendelssohn); 2nd and 3rd Movements only—Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The State Opera Orchestra. Concerto for Trumpet and Orchestra (Haydn)—George Eskdale (Trumpet) and Symphony Orchestra.

11.00 Close down.

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Transmission V—News Summary Full Bulletin 7.30 a.m.

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WAR EFFORT OF NETHERLANDS

First Issue Of Dutch Weekly In London

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter) — Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, writing in the first copy of the Vrij Nederland, a Dutch weekly newspaper which will appear in London on August 2, says:

"The brutal invasion of Holland aroused in very Netherlander, worthy of the name, the firm determination not to submit to the aggressor and fight with Britain and her Allies until the independence of Holland has been fully restored."

"In the common struggle, Dutch soldiers, airmen, merchant seamen and civilians all over the world are playing a worthy and indeed a noble part."

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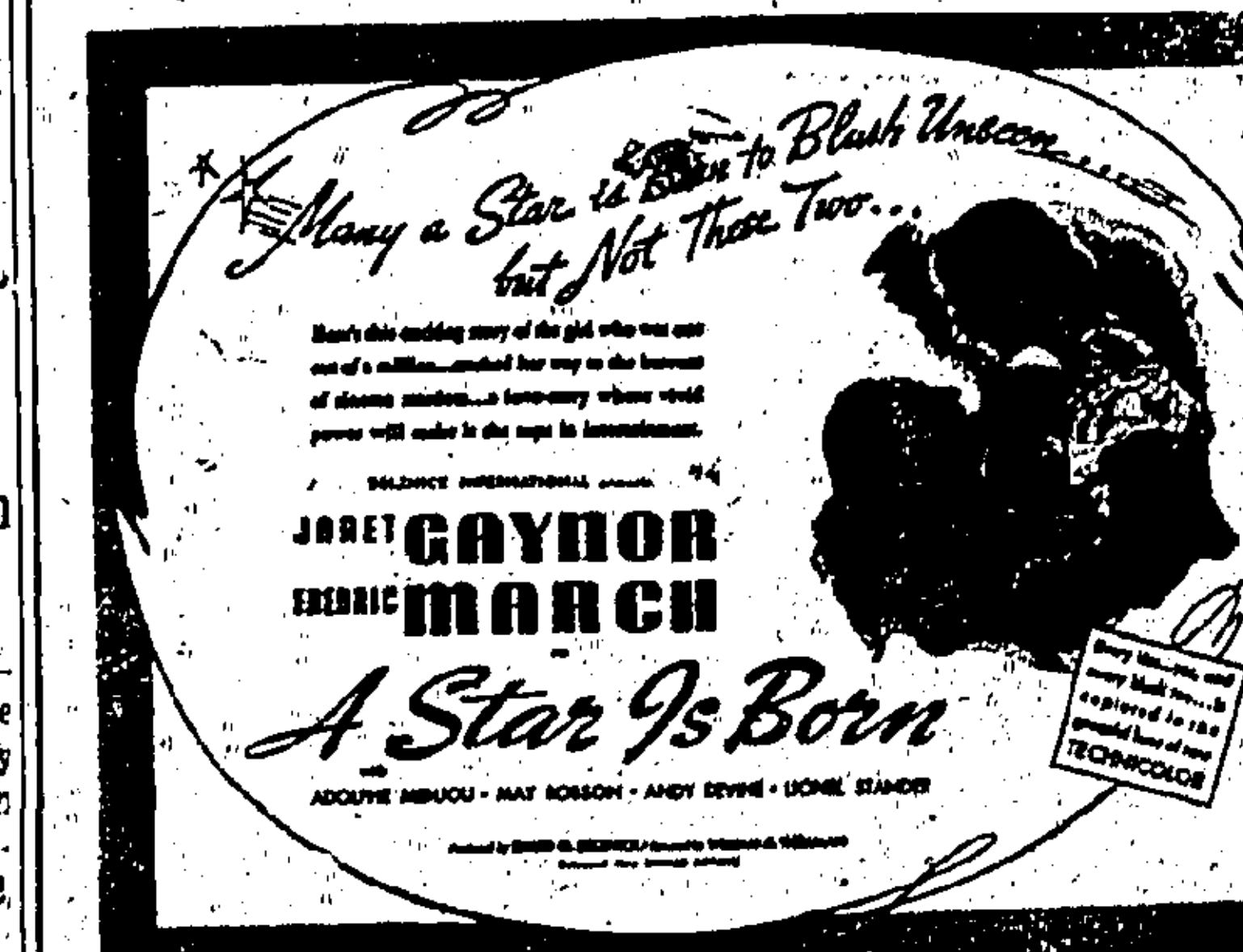
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Japanese Naval Planes Raid Chinese Capital

FIVE BOMBERS SHOT DOWN

CHUNGKING, Aug. 1 (CENTRAL)—THE JAPANESE LOST FIVE PLANES IN RAIDS OVER CHUNGKING AND OTHER SZE-CHUAN TOWNS YESTERDAY WHILE ONE CHINESE PLANE WAS REPORTED MISSING.

THIRTY-FIVE JAPANESE MILITARY bombers headed for Chungking around noon. Intercepted by Chinese fighters over Peipai, 50 miles away, they dumped their bombs. Later they attempted to break into Chungking from the northwest. Chinese fighters challenged them and drove them over Tungliang and drove them northward. One of the damaged enemy planes crashed in the northern suburbs of Nankiang, on the north Szechwan border near Shensi.

SEVERE AIR BATTLE

Shortly after 2 p.m. eighty Japanese naval planes in three flights came to raid the wartime capital. Two flights flew into the city from the north simultaneously. A severe air battle took place. More than 10 enemy planes were hit by Chinese bullets. Four of them which lagged behind because of damage were shot down over Peng-shui in east Szechwan.

The third flight of enemy planes failed to reach Chungking but emptied their bomb racks at Pelling, at the confluence of the Yangtze River and the Wu River, east of Chungking.

The "all clear" was sounded in Chungking at 3:45 p.m. With the exception of one missing all other Chinese planes returned to their base.

REUTERS VERSION

CHUNGKING, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Reuters' correspondent in Chungking states that Japanese

aircraft heavily bombed the western suburbs of Chungking yesterday afternoon, many bombs landing in the vicinity of "Chia-ling House" Chungking's palatial hotel for distinguished foreign visitors. The house was not hit. The alarm was sounded shortly after noon when Japanese bombers in several groups were sighted heading for Chungking. The first flight of raiders bombed the Peipai Hot Springs Resort on Chialing River to the north of Chungking. This is the third time that Japanese aircraft have raided this resort.

SUBURBS BOMBED

The second flight bombed Tungliang on the highway to Chengtu to the north-west of Chungking and west of Peipai. The third and fourth flights raided the western suburbs of Chungking where two fires were started.

While several buildings on the main road were hit and demolished the majority of bombs landed on open fields so that casualties were small in number.

Anti aircraft guns did not open fire thus leaving the sky free for Chinese fighters which engaged the raiders. The all-clear was sounded at 4:30 p.m.

HOME OFFICE WHITE PAPER

Alien Internees To Be Released

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Home Office issued a White Paper dealing with German and Austrian civilian internees, and giving the description of 28 categories into which those persons fall who are eligible for release.

The categories enumerated fall into two classes, namely, those who are invalids and infirm and those people who are capable of rendering assistance to this country by reason of their special qualifications and experience.

It is not yet certain how many people will be released but it is not thought that the number will be large in relation to the number interned.

EXEMPTION POSSIBLE

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The White Paper issued last night describes the procedure under which German and Austrian internees may apply for release.

The White Paper gives a list of 18 categories under which exemptions from internment are possible.

These include those occupying key positions in national work, scientists and research workers, skilled workers in agriculture and those with British-born sons serving in the forces.

NAVICERT SYSTEM

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Further details of the system announced in Parliament on Tuesday of the issuing of warrants to non-British shipping companies were given in London yesterday.

In future it will be necessary for every non-British shipping company to enter an undertaking always to employ navicerts. Any company which does not do so will not receive world-wide services such as bunkering facilities and insurance which only British can offer.

OFFENDING LINES

Ships of offending lines entering British ports may find great difficulty in obtaining even water apart from other supplies.

The object of the warrant system is to deter neutral shipping from trying to enter the blockade-running business.

NEW PHASE

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Order in Council implementing a new phase of economic warfare announced on Tuesday by Mr. Dalton was issued yesterday and comes into force at midnight. It provides that any vessel en-

"TIPPED THE WINK"

AMERICAN PILOTS FOR R.A.F.

LONDON, August 1 (Reuters)—Professor Arthur Newall, American political observer, speaking at a luncheon in London, said that the Americans are volunteering for the Royal Air Force in numbers that would amaze this country.

"Prospective recruits are now being advised not to apply for details of service to the American authorities but to hop over to Canada where they will be given further details.

"At the same time they are being tipped the wink with the result that they go fully equipped with baggage sufficient for the long journey."

AUSTRALIA'S WAR EFFORT

Military Training For 70,000 More

CANBERRA, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Over 70,000 additional Australians will go into military training as a result of yesterday's call-up, says the Sydney Sun.

There are already 120,000 in camp in Australia. The figure of 70,000 includes the 21-year-old group which is already in camp in addition to the four groups called up.

Australia's war effort shows a big step up on that of the last war. Enlistments for the navy, army and air force up to June 30 were 122,000, that is an increase of 28,000 over the figures for the first ten months of the last war.

15,000 FOR A.I.F.

These figures do not include the 15,000 men who volunteered for the A.I.F., but were retained in munition work and other reserved occupations.

The number of men under arms in the A.I.F. and home defences forces on June 30 was 185,000. There are now five times as many munition workers employed as at any time in the last war.

route to or from any port through which goods might reach or come from enemy territory will be liable to seizure unless it carries "valid navicerts." A ship or cargo navicert, if conditions on which the navicert was issued are not observed, ceases to be valid if after obtaining it the vessel calls at an enemy port or any other port other than the declared port of destination.

LANCASTRIA SINKING

COMMONS QUERIES ANSWERED

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Giving reasons for withholding news of the bombing and sinking of the Lancastria, Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, Minister of Information, said in the House of Commons yesterday that the ship was engaged in military operations and that it was evident, from the German wireless announcements, that the enemy were totally unaware of the identity of the ship which had been sunk.

It was contrary to the general policy of the Government to announce the loss of individual merchant ships.

The number and total tonnage of merchant ships lost were given in a weekly statement. The tonnage of the Lancastria was included in the statement issued on July 2.

"This policy is well-known and I cannot understand why on this occasion bewilderment should have been caused in Liverpool and shipping circles," said the Minister.

STORY OF HEROISM

Mr. E. L. Granville (National Liberal) pointed out that the story of heroism connected with the Lancastria was known on the Merseyside two or three days after the ship was sunk. News was given on the German wireless and appeared in the New York Sun and it was not until five weeks later that it was referred to in the B.B.C. news bulletin.

Mr. Granville added that there was considerable anxiety in the public mind about this delay.

Mr. Duff-Cooper, replying, said that there were many stories of heroism connected with the evacuation of Dunkirk and this was one which he regretted did not get the full publicity it deserved.

The Minister added that he was sure the relatives of those lost were informed as soon as their identity was established.

VALUABLE INFORMATION
LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, told the House of Commons yesterday that he could not agree to give information about Italian or German submarines that had been captured, sunk or damaged.

This silence prevented the enemy from discovering how these things happened and from gauging the efficiency of British anti-submarine methods. Such knowledge would be invaluable to the enemy.

REPATRIATION PROBLEMS

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Replying further on repatriation problems, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons yesterday that with the exception of certain persons whom it was necessary to detain for the time being, French citizens wishing to leave the United Kingdom received the same facilities as nationals of neutral States.

He was satisfied there were facilities for British subjects to return to the United Kingdom from France and for French subjects here to return to France.

ITALIAN TANKER SUNK IN AEGEAN SEA ACTION

LONDON, August (Reuters)—An Admiralty communique states that "The Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean has reported that the Greek tanker, Hermione, under charter to the Italian Government and carrying 300 tons of petrol and 200 tons of lubricating oil for Italian forces in the Dodecanese Isles, was intercepted in the Aegean Sea by British naval forces last Sunday evening.

"Soon after the character of the ship and the contraband nature of her cargo had been established, a heavy Italian air attack on our forces developed.

CREW REMOVED

"The Commander of our forces was accordingly compelled to sink the Hermione by gun-fire after the Captain and crew had been removed.

"The weather was fine and the crew, who stated that they were in no need of assistance, proceeded in their boats to land which was not far distant.

"This air attack on our forces has presumably given rise to the highly coloured Italian reports of a battle between Italian aircraft and British warships in which it is claimed that several British warships sustained direct hits and suffered damage.

GERMAN BOMBAST OF THE FIRST ORDER

BERLIN, AUGUST 1 (REUTERS)—A STATEMENT COMBATING any idea that the "war against England is being waged half-heartedly" was issued here last night by the Official German News Agency.

The statement says: "Germany is waging war against England with just as much determination and certainty of victory as she did against Poland and France. The burden of the effort now rests on the shoulders of a few thousand men only—the crews of submarines, motor speedboats and planes."

DIFFERENT LINES

"The war against England is necessarily waged on different lines from the war against France where an army of 1,000,000 men was employed. The method now used against England admits of the use of a limited number of men only."

Replying to the question as to when Germany is going at last to strike, the statement says: "For five weeks since the armistice Germany has been striking daily and hourly. Every day German submarines and fighter planes are winning fresh successes."

U.S. ARMY

URGENT NEED FOR CONSCRIPTION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Testifying before the Appropriations Sub-Committee, Gen. Marshall described the immediate mobilization of the National Guard and compulsory training as imperative.

He added: "If our estimate of the situation is at all correct we have not even got time to debate compulsory service. We have got to do something of that sort immediately."

WAR SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Mr. Henry L. Stimson told the House of Representatives Military Committee that the "only way to meet the war situation" was by compulsory military training. The system of voluntary enlistments, he said, had been a "costly failure."

BILL AMENDED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Senate military committee in Washington yesterday amended the Burke-Wadsworth Compulsory Military Training Bill to require registration only of men aged 21 to 31 instead of 18 to 64. This would reduce the number liable for registration to 12,000,000.

SOVIET PROTEST TO WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Soviet has protested to the United States against President Roosevelt's order of freezing American credits of Estonia, and Latvia, it was revealed by Mr. Sumner Welles today.

No reply has been made by the United States Government.

BUCHAREST, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Rumanian Ministry of Interior has issued orders dismissing all Jews from the country's Civil Service.

EFFICIENCY OF ROYAL NAVY

No Ship, Life Lost In Troop Convoys

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—It is learned in London that not a ship was sunk or a single life lost through enemy action in the vast movement of troops to and from various parts of the Empire since the war began.

Ships ranging from comparatively small vessels of 1,500 tons to giant Cunard White Star liners have been used.

Among the movements of British and Empire troops since the war began have been the following:

Canadians.—To Britain, Iceland and West Indies.
Newfoundlanders.—To Britain.
Australians and New Zealanders.—To the Middle East and Britain.
South Africans.—To East Africa and Egypt.

Indians.—To East Africa.

Palestinian and Cypriot troops.—To Britain.

Additionally troops from Britain have been moved to Bermuda, Jamaica, Iceland, St. Helena, India, Ceylon, Singapore, Hongkong, Egypt, East Africa, Mauritius, Malta, Gibraltar, Cyprus, Palestine, Aden, Gold Coast, Sierra Leone and Nigeria. Training schools have been moved from Britain to Australia, South Africa and Canada.

U.S. BOMBERS FOR BRITAIN

LONDON, August 1 (Reuters)—It is learned in London that the task of supervising the trans-Atlantic flights of American bombers to Britain has been entrusted to an Imperial Airways pilot, Captain A.S. Wilcockson.

It is reported that he is due to arrive in Canada today.

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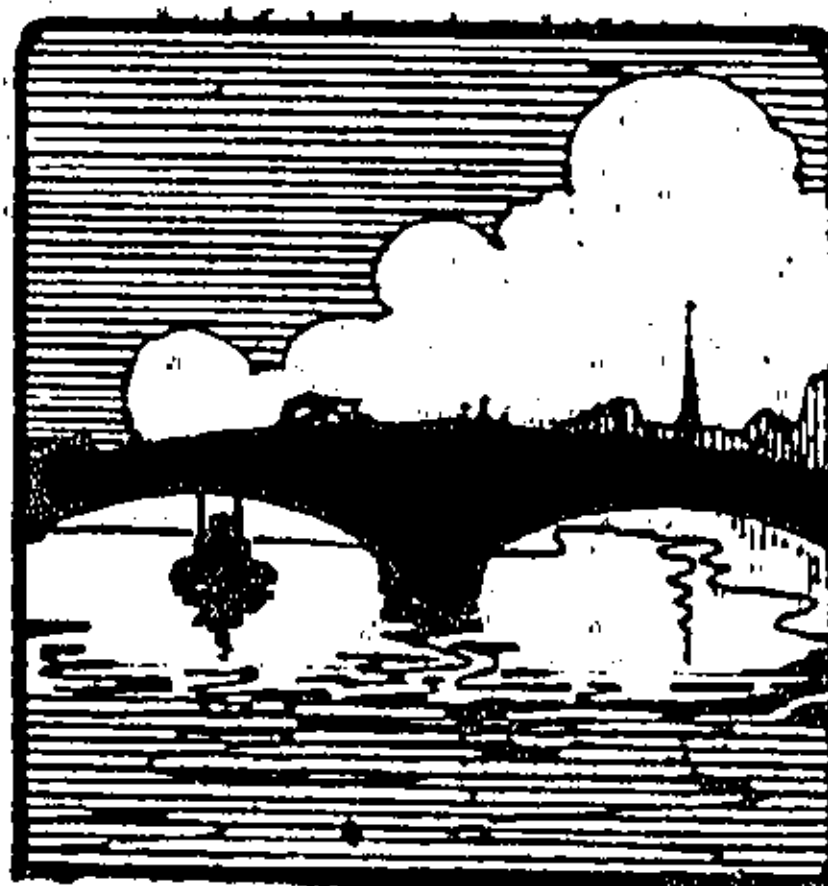
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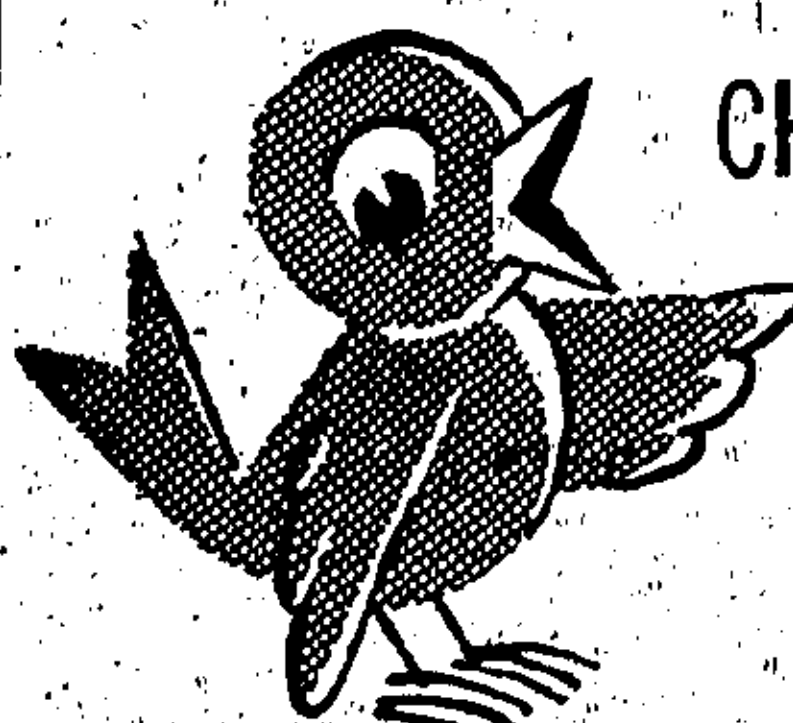
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TALE TOLD OF ALLEGED COLD-BLOODED CRUELTY

THIRTY PEOPLE IMPRISONED IN HOLD: JUNK SET ON FIRE

A BRAVY CHINESE SEAMAN, LEUNG YAU, went into the witness-box at Kowloon Court yesterday to relate a story of a piracy in Chinese waters that has not been matched for cruelty in some months.

It is alleged that 30 persons, including women and children, were bound and made to descend into the hold of a junk, after which they were set on fire and the hatch closed down allowing little chance for the trapped persons to escape.

One of the hatches was, however, forced open after the pirates had left, and the majority of the intended victims managed to escape with their lives. Many were badly burnt and 27 received treatment at the Haw Par Hospital, Cheung Chau Island.

One man jumped overboard and three others succumbed to their burns. In the course of his statement from the witness-box, Leung made allegations yesterday that he heard one of the pirates say that all the crew and passengers should be burnt to death.

MEMBER OF CREW
Witness said he could not identify any of the alleged pirates other than first defendant, who had been a member of his own crew, he claimed, in league with the pirates gang.

His craft, a two-masted vessel known as the "Leung Pun Kan" and registered in Hongkong as trading junk No. T4080E, set sail from Cheung Chau about 4.30 p.m. on May 6, bound for Kwong Hoi in Toi Shan, witness said.

The piracy occurred about 9 p.m. when the junk was approached by a two-masted craft with white sails. This was just off Ling (Fing) Island. There were six or seven persons aboard the pirate boat.

and they were joined later by first defendant.

PIRATES ARMED
Despite his superiority in numbers, witness continued, he decided not to give fight as the pirates were armed and his own vessel was not. He did not resist at any stage of the piracy.

After his crew and passengers had been bound up and ordered into the rear hold, the pirate vessel sailed abreast of his own for about one hour, after which the anchor of his boat was dropped.

Two smaller vessels approached his boat, and the cargo he carried, consisting of 1,250 tins of kerosene, about 20 piculs of medicinal herbs and 150 piculs of salt, 10 baskets of dried shrimp and 19 piculs of salt fish were transferred to these boats.

SOAKED WITH KEROSENE
Before leaving, the pirates set fire to the junk, having spread dried hay soaked with kerosene about the decks.

Defendants in the case are Shi Shing, 30, Hui Fuk-sing, 40, Ng Yau, 32, Hui Sik-man, 27, and Lo Fuk, 29. A man and a woman, alleged to have participated, were discharged as the prosecution is offering no evidence against them. The case is proceeding.

POSTAL PROSECUTION: CHINESE ACCOUNTANT FACES EIGHT CHARGES

Charged with obtaining a postal parcel containing a finger ring, belonging to John Wo and Company, of Portland, Oregon, U.S.A., from the General Post Office, by false pretences, LI HANG-YIP, alias LI TAN-PING, alias LI YING-CHUNG, accountant of the Li Man Hing tailor shop, appeared on remand before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

94 Traffic Accidents

FORTY-FIVE PEOPLE INJURED

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 27, 1940, there were altogether 94 traffic accidents as the result of which 4 persons were killed and 45 persons were injured.

Of persons killed, two Chinese males, aged 8 and 40 and a Chinese female, age 39, were knocked down and killed by buses and a private car respectively while crossing the carriageway and a Chinese male, age 58, died from injuries received while attempting to board a moving bus.

Of persons injured, 31 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the carriageway.

A bicycle rider and a ricksha puller were injured as the result of collisions between vehicles; a lorry passenger was injured when the lorry ran off the road.

FELL FROM VEHICLES
Two persons, a bicycle rider and a lorry passenger, were injured on falling from moving vehicles. A pedestrian was injured by a lorry which ran into a side channel.

Four bus passengers and two tram passengers were injured while alighting from moving buses and moving trams, respectively; and two bus passengers were injured while attempting to board moving buses.

Of 94 accidents, 35 were collisions between vehicles; 36 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 23 accidents were due to other causes.

A British liner, appeared, before Mr. Sheldon yesterday on remand on a charge of assaulting a carpenter, Li Choy, 23, they said that they were prepared to pay \$50 compensation to complainant. Accused were also ordered to sign bonds of \$100 each to be of good behaviour for a year.

It will be recalled that the two defendants assaulted complainant in Connaught Road Central on Saturday evening, as a result of which Li suffered a fractured nose and slight concussion.

Det.-Sgt. P. J. Cullinan prosecuted.

THEFT OF PETROL
A fine of \$100, in default, six weeks' imprisonment, was imposed by Mr. Sheldon yesterday on Fung Man, 29, licensed motor driver, who was convicted on a charge of theft of four gallons of petrol from car No. 40 at Kam Hong Street, Quarry Bay, on July 11.

Defendant, who was defended by Mr. C. D'Almada, pleaded not guilty.

Sgt. T. H. Jordan, of the Naval Dockyard, said he issued petrol and oil to cars hired by the Naval authorities. On July 9 defendant arrived at the Dockyard and took out 10 gallons of petrol and on July 11 drew five gallons.

When the naval authorities hired the car they were told that it could go 14 miles to the gallon. When the car returned on July 12 he checked the speedometer and found that the car had travelled 152 miles.

Defendant said that he drove the car to Quarry Bay to look for a friend. When he came back to the car he saw a policeman there and another man who ran away. He saw the drum of petrol by the side of the car. He did not know who the other man was.

AT KOWLOON

NURSE VICTIMISED

Charged with larceny of a handbag from Miss Li Po-luen, a nurse of Kowloon Hospital, in Market Street on Wednesday, a Chinese named Tam Chung, 20, received sentence of three months' hard labour when he appeared at Kowloon Court yesterday before Mr. E. Hunsworth. He will be recommended also for expulsion.

ARRESTED BY SOLDIER
Charged with trespassing on military property at Whitfield Barracks, Wong Yuen, 27, unemployed, was fined \$5, in default two weeks' hard labour. Defendant was arrested by Driver Barry Khan of the Mule Corps in the barracks' room and handed over to the police.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

MEAN TRICK

Remarking that it was a mean trick, Mr. R. Edwards imposed sentence of two months' hard labour on a 17-year-old youth, Leung Sai yu, who was charged with stealing \$800 in Chinese currency and \$20 Hongkong money from his aunt, Leung Mu, of Ho Gage Street, second floor.

Sgt. J. Headridge, for the prosecution, said that defendant was invited by complainant to come to Hongkong and live with her.

The money was kept by complainant in a tin box. On July 29 at about 8 p.m. defendant was missing from the house, and so was the money.

Defendant was found in his uncle's home in Macao and was brought back by the complainant. Of the amount stolen \$45 was missing. Defendant admitted that he spent \$15 for food and had sent \$30 back to his parents.

VAGRANCY CHARGE
A European, William, Frank Yeo, 38, unemployed engineer, was charged before Mr. Edwards yesterday for being a vagrant in the Colony.

Defendant was formerly a second engineer on board a ship which left the harbour on July 17 and he is now without employment. Defendant was arrested at the Luk Kwok Hotel on July 31.

Yeo was committed to the House of Detention for a week for further inquiries.

Sgt. J. Headridge appeared for the prosecution.

SNATCHERS SENTENCED
Two unemployed youths Li Kai, 19, and Leung Wing-kwong, 17, appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday on charges of larceny of a leather handbag, containing \$15 and five keys, and receiving stolen property, respectively.

Det.-Sgt. V.M. Morrison, prosecuting, said complainant Lam Chan, 38, married, woman, was walking along Fleming Road on Wednesday, when first defendant came from behind and knocked the handbag from her hand.

Two witnesses who saw what happened, gave chase and arrested the defendants. Second defendant was arrested in a coal-yard in Jaffe Road.

First defendant, who had a previous conviction for the same offence, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and second defendant was remanded 24 hours in Police custody.

DEFENDANT IN HOSPITAL

Lee Chan-lam, alias Lee So, alias Tse Chu-lam, 26, prisoner, who is charged on two counts of wounding with intent to murder, and wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm, Prison Officer E.S. Franks, at Hongkong Prisons, Stanley, was again remanded one week by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

It was stated in Court that defendant was in the Prison Hospital suffering from mumps.

Det.-Insp. W.N. Dinkin is appearing for the prosecution.

12 STROKES OF CANE
Li Chiu, 17, who was remanded for 24 hours on Wednesday to see if he was fit for caning, was sentenced by Mr. Sheldon yesterday to receive 12 strokes of the cane when he was convicted on the charge of snatching a handbag from Chung Yip-fung, married woman, at Thomson Road on Sunday.

At the previous hearing defendant denied that he was the real snatcher and said he only picked up the watch when it was dropped by the man who did the snatching. He also admitted he had one conviction, which he previously denied.

Det.-Sgt. V.M. Morrison represented the Police.

STOLE PAPER
Man Chung, 18, unemployed, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment with hard labour by Mr. K.M.A. Barnett yesterday when he appeared on a charge of stealing one ream of paper from the Kwong Ah Manufacturing Company, 181 King's Road.

Defendant was cautioned by Mr. Sheldon when he was charged with the same offence.

Sgt. Fockson prosecuted.

CHARGES WITHDRAWN
Charges against Mak Cheung-hing, 27, unemployed salesman, of embezzlement of sums of money from Thom Groceries, Des Voeux Road Central were withdrawn as it being held by the Court that as defendant committed the alleged offence in Macao and was arrested there, it did not come under the jurisdiction of Hongkong.

Mak was charged with five counts of embezzling \$343.65. He was sent to Macao to collect the money but spent it.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, appeared for the prosecution, assisted by Det. Sub-Insp. C. Byron.

The case was before Mr. Edwards.

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National Red Cross Society of China,
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Notice is hereby given that Bills issued by the China Navigation Co., Ltd. for the undermentioned cargo ex S.S. "Tsinan" arrived 10/12/37 and S.S. "Klungchow" arrived 30/11/37, have been lost and are declared null and void.

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BANK HOLIDAY.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 5th August, 1940. (The First Monday in August.)
Hongkong, 31st July, 1940.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
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Hong Kong, 29th July, 1940.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
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Hong Kong, 1st August, 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 6th day of August, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1883	Junction of Hong Mi Road and Mong Kok Road, Mong Kok	N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	As per sale plan.	298	\$8,300

FORTIFICATIONS INSPECTED

Prime Minister Pays Surprise Visit

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill paid a surprise visit to northeast England yesterday to inspect the coastal fortifications and defence works.

The Prime Minister motored along the sea front and occasionally got out of the car to inspect sections of the defences. He showed keen interest and talked earnestly with officers.

MISSED BUS?

In a speech to the workers, Mr. Churchill said that he did not know whether Hitler had missed the bus but whatever happened he would not have such a comfortable journey as might have had a few months ago.

The workers' wives gathered at the gates of the shipyard and Mr. Churchill, impressed by the warmth of the welcome, shouted "Are we down-hearted?" and the womenfolk responded with a mighty roar "No."

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EFFECT OF WAR ON BUSINESS

THE EXTENT to which a major war affects the normal business life of a country engaged in hostilities, and even those which maintain strict neutrality in their dealings with the belligerents has provided economic experts the world over with weighty problems. During the last World War, the trade and commerce of the warring nations were admittedly not placed on such a well organized footing as they are in the present conflict.

The Allies in World War No. 1, despite the mastery they held on the sea, were faced with many internal economic difficulties in the matter of preserving their business balance to meet emergency measures which were introduced by the Government.

Germany, and her allies in the last war were placed in an even more desperate position with regard to the flow of their own commercial transactions and the end of 1918 found them in an even more impoverished condition than their opponents.

The lessons of 1914-1918 were well learned by Britain and when hostilities broke out between her and Germany last year, she had already made preparations for placing her normal business life on a correct war-time footing.

British economists set to work with a will to meet every emergency and the leaders of business and finance were presented with a carefully worked out programme which, it was hoped, would prevent the country's internal life from being seriously affected.

BRITAIN'S business quarters accepted the injunctions given them in the best spirit, but the experiences gained in the 1914-1918 period have made all trading and business circles look upon war as a deplorable—mainly, of course, from a profit-taking point of view. Apart from those engaged in the business of munition production and other essential war materials for the fighting forces, who have a ready customer in the British Government, business houses which deal in goods and supplies which are normally used by the average citizen must, therefore, be considered to be strongly opposed to war.

They would sooner choose the smaller profits of peace-time trade than risk carrying on their business under the difficult conditions of war-time stringency. The reason for this is that the rising index of essential commodities is at the same time accompanied by a lower purchasing power from the people, on whom heavier calls are made to support the national effort.

The profits of the few are, in most cases, only illusory and gains in any special lines are merely the result of a temporary demand. And, furthermore, even the most meagre profits are subjected to serious reduction by various taxes collected from business houses under the country's emergency regulations.

It is a natural attitude based purely on a desire to see the internal economic wealth of a country preserved unimpaired, so that its people may live free and contented lives.

HONGKONG MAN ON B.B.C. STAFF: MR. JOHN ABBOTT AS RELIEF ANNOUNCER

AMONG THE RELIEF ANNOUNCERS TEMPORARILY ATTACHED TO THE B.B.C.'S OVERSEAS STAFF SO THAT THE REGULAR ANNOUNCERS CAN TAKE SHORT SUMMER HOLIDAYS IS A MAN WHOSE VOICE MANY OF OVERSEAS LISTENERS WILL HAVE HEARD FROM ANOTHER BROADCASTING STATION.

His name is John Abbott and he is in London on a seven-months' holiday from Hongkong, where he has been an Assistant Crown Solicitor since 1936 and an announcer at Station ZBW since 1937.

Mr. Abbott has been announcing for the B.B.C. since May 27 and will be on the job for two months; during the remainder of his leave he will refresh his memories of the English countryside, many miles from a microphone.

LITTLE DIFFERENCE
It may seem odd that it should be possible to hold a post in the Colonial Legal Service and, at the same time, to be an announcer; but Mr. Abbott explained that Station ZBW broadcasts only at lunch time and between six and eleven or twelve in the evening.

When spoken to, two or three days after he had taken up his duties at Broadcasting House, Mr. Abbott said he had not then noticed any striking difference between methods of announcing in Hongkong and London; but, in telling about a notable mistake he made before the microphone, he revealed by implication that listeners to ZBW are less eager correspondents than B.B.C.'s overseas listeners.

Hurrying to the studio to make an announcement, he found to his regret that he had left his script in another room. He knew that the last programme item had been a recital of gramophone records and thought he remembered the name of the artist concerned—so this, in effect, is what he said: "Those two violin solos were played by Elizabeth Schumann."

He could hardly have been more wrong: Elizabeth Schumann is, of course, not a violinist but a famous singer of lieder, and, anyway, the records had been of piano pieces. But—as Chesterton might have argued—the mistake was so tremendous that no one noticed it.

CLIMATIC CONDITIONS
If London and Hongkong have no important differences to show so far as concerns the technique of announcing broadcasts, Mr. Ab-



Mr. Myles John Abbott who was Assistant Crown Solicitor in Hongkong. He arrived in the Colony early in 1936.

Abbott is assured that there are great dissimilarities in climates. Mr. Abbott is a keen tennis player, but he says that the heat of a Hongkong summer keeps the most ardent lover of the game off the courts until after five or six in the evening. And the mild eccentricities of weather in the Home Country can offer nothing as violent as the typhoons that charge through Hongkong. Mr. Abbott has experienced two of them—one in 1936, and another, a 164 miles-an-hour, in 1937. When asked what were the standard typhoon-raid precautions, he answered succinctly: "Barricade your house—and hope for the best." Whatever precautions you take, it is generally accepted that a full-sized typhoon will either blow the windows over your lawn or the lawn over your windows.

THE WEATHER

Yesterday was comparatively cooler the maximum temperature being 83 and the minimum 78.

The Royal Observatory report states:—

Pressure remains highest over the Pacific to the north-east of Japan, and a depression is stationary over S.W. China.

The typhoon is centred about 150 miles N.N.W. of Shanghai, moving N.N.W.

EVEN HONGKONG was provided with an example of this adverse effect of war on ordinary business. Admittedly it was on a much smaller scale than that which pertains to Britain, but when the recent evacuation of women and children from this Colony was announced and put into operation by the Government, the effect on the business life of the Colony was almost immediate and the position assumed proportions which were out of all keeping with the necessity for making the evacuation order effective. And it must be remembered here that Hongkong was already suffering adversely as a result of the effects of the war in Europe and in the Far East. The prosperity of a country in such circumstances cannot be increased merely by the production of weapons for the destruction of human life and property. When the carnage is over, a far greater price will have to be paid to restore the business life of a country to its normal groove from the low standard to which it had been brought by the effects of war. In adopting an anti-war stand, therefore, business leaders cannot be charged with lack of patriotism. It is a natural attitude based purely on a desire to see the internal economic wealth of a country preserved unimpaired, so that its people may live free and contented lives.

WHAT AMERICA THINKS

NEWSETTES

St. Andrew's Club will meet on Monday and Thursday next week at 9 p.m.

Mrs. R.B. Chatin, of No. 29, Kadoorie Avenue, has reported the loss of her Siberian terrier on Wednesday.

The Rev. Cyril Brown, Chaplain of the mission to Seamen, will preach at matins at St. Andrew's Church on Sunday.

The Rev. J. R. Higgs will be the leader at the Intercession service in connexion with the war to be held at St. Andrew's Church on Tuesday at 6 p.m.

The newly formed St. Andrew's Fellowship will hold its 100th anniversary on Monday, Aug. 5, at 8.30 p.m. All prospective members are asked to make a special point of being present.

Naz Khan, 40 received treatment at the Queen Mary Hospital on Wednesday for injuries to his left forearm sustained during a fight with another Indian in Ice House Street.

Following the evening service on Sunday at the English Methodist Church a Social Hour will be held at the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home at 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians will be warmly welcomed.

Sergeant-Major Telford of the Royal Scots, has reported that he picked up a three-months-old baby on the hillside in New Aberdeen Road while taking a walk on Wednesday morning. The baby is now in the Queen Mary Hospital.

Mr. L. Alltree, of No. 24, Somerset Road, has reported that his residence was entered on Wednesday night, and money, jewellery and clothing to the value of \$77.30 stolen.

Police are investigating the sudden disappearance of a cookboy employed on board a merchant vessel berthed at the Kowloon Wharves yesterday. It is believed the boy must have lost his footing while descending to the wharf, fell into the harbour and was drowned.

Gen. Chien Tsung-Tseh Dies At 51

TRANSPORTATION EXPERT

Gen. Chien Tsung-tseh, Director of Military Transportation of the National Military Council, died of heart failure in Chungking on Wednesday whilst on his way back from an official mission, says Central News.

A native of Hangchow, Chekiang, deceased was one of China's most prominent transportation experts. He graduated from the Peking Military College and later from the Peking Military University.

After serving in the army as captain and regiment commander, he successively became Vice-Director of the National Railway Police Bureau of the Ministry of Communications, Police Commissioner of Hsuehchow, Kiangsu, Provincial Police Commissioner of Chekiang, Police Commissioner of Hangchow and Chief Director of the Military Training Administration Bureau of the Generalissimo's Headquarters of the Nationalist Army.

STAFF OFFICER

He also served as High Staff Officer of the Generalissimo's Headquarters, Chief of the Staff Officers' Bureau of the Generalissimo's Field Headquarters at Wu-chang, Hankow, Kaifeng, and Canton.

From 1928 to 1930, Gen. Chien was Deputy Managing Director of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. In 1931, he became Managing Director of the Lunghai Railway and concurrently Vice-Minister of Railways.

At the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, he was appointed director of railway military transportation of the whole country and later became Director of Military Transportation of the National Military Council. A conscientious worker, he had exerted his utmost in his latter position in the past three years.

Gen. Chien was 51 years of age.

NETHERLANDS ASIATIC COLONIES

Japan, as well as Italy, has been watching to see which way "the cat will jump" with the dogs of war after it. When Holland and Belgium fell beneath the cloven hooves of invading legions, Mussolini called home all Italian ships and buckled on his Roman armour. At the same time the Mikado's militarists, clamouring for abandonment of the policy of non-involvement, changed their attitude of amity and indifference to suit the occasion.

Japan now asserts a right to take the lead in determining the fate of Dutch possessions in the Orient. Although the Nazi government announced a lack of infatuation of Dutch possessions in the Netherlands East Indies, which Japanese authorities interpreted to convey "a blank power of attorney" authorizing Japan to follow her own bent and establish her own regulations of trade and control, there may be reservations or reconsiderations with which Hitler's promises and pacts are always tangled.

Should the Asiatic colonies of the Netherlands become German colonies, it may be regarded as almost certain that Germany will take all of the raw materials to bolster her own military and economic status. As this is what the Nipponese covet more than the land, there is a possibility that Japan, to conceal a feeling of disappointment, will not take her greedy eyes off the Philippine archipelago.

Recently the Mikado's government gave out a statement in which this significant paragraph appeared: "Japan cannot be indifferent to important changes in the status of areas and territories within the Pacific zone."

Thus an opportunity for a row or a trade with Hitler is presented, with odds on the prospects for a trade affecting the future of the Philippines.

(Reprinted from the Salt Lake City (Utah) Tribune.)

Mr. MacDonald, of No. 127, Boundary Street, has reported to the police the theft of a wrist watch and a fountain pen from his residence on Wednesday. The stolen articles are valued at \$182.

HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

PUPPET REGIMENT ROUTED IN CHINESE OFFENSIVE

WAVE OF DEFECTION IN JAPANESE RANKS

CHUNGKING, AUGUST 1 (CENTRAL)—A STRONG CHINESE FORCE OF 50,000 MEN HAS LAUNCHED AN OFFENSIVE IN THE SOOCHOW-WUSIH SECTOR, ACCORDING TO TRAVELLERS WHO ARRIVED IN SHANGHAI FROM SOOCHOW.

THE CHINESE PRESSED near Wush and Wuhing. Of the puppet troops under the command of Tseng Wan-chun which were ordered by the Japanese military authorities to fight against the Chinese one regiment was routed and two other regiments surrendered to the Chinese government troops.



Lord Beaverbrook, the Minister for Aircraft Production, who broadcast to the Empire last week.

NAVAL ACTION IN S. ATLANTIC

GERMAN COMMERCE RAIDER DAMAGED

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—An Admiralty communique states that an engagement has taken place in the South Atlantic between the armed British merchant cruiser, Alcantara, and a German raider.

The raider escaped destruction, but is known to have sustained damage, affecting her fighting efficiency.

NAZI SIGHTED

Immediately on sighting the raider, the Alcantara, a fast converted merchant ship, mounting four guns on each broadside, engaged her. On being hit, the enemy at once turned away, making use of smoke boats but she was chased by the Alcantara, until a lucky shot impaired the latter's speed, thus enabling the raider to escape.

The damage sustained by the Alcantara is slight. British casualties amounted to two killed and seven wounded.

A search for the raider is now proceeding.

NOT YET DOCKED

RIO DE JANEIRO, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—H.M. auxiliary cruiser Alcantara had not yet docked.

AUSTRIANS IN ENGLAND

Commons Questions

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Foreign Under-Secretary asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether, now that Czechoslovakia is recognised as an Ally State and the Czechs regarded as friendly aliens, the Foreign Office would consider extending the same privilege to the Austrians.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that circumstances are different in the case of the Austrians and it would not be possible to consider similar arrangements.

The Auxiliary Pioneer Corps is open to all former Austrian citizens subject to their individual suitability.

BAN LIFTED

LYON, August 1 (Reuters)—The radio stated that the German authorities had lifted the ban recently on the traffic between occupied and unoccupied zones in France.

ROME, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—A communique claims that Italian bombers effectively attacked Wajir where they dropped bombs on parked mechanised units.

Two companies of puppet troops under the command of Hsu Fung-cheng also revolted. Following their defection, these erstwhile puppet troops cut the Soochow-Kashang Railway.

Owing to numerical inferiority, the Japanese have abandoned Wukiang, south of Soochow, and retreated to Soochow by highway. The puppet magistrate of Wukiang has fled. The highways between Wukiang and Soochow and other neighbouring points are now under Chinese control.

CITY GATES CLOSED

The Japanese troops stationed in the suburban counties have all been withdrawn into Soochow where they have closed the city gates and strengthened the sandbag barricades in anticipation of a Chinese attack.

Some Chinese guerrillas have already filtered into the city in disguise, and posters expressing welcome to the arrival of the Chinese troops have been found in the streets.

CLOSE WATCH

The Japanese are keeping a close watch over the puppet troops for fear of further defection. Strict house-to-house searches are conducted. Even Chen Tse-min, formerly puppet governor of Kiangsu, and Kung Kuo-liang, formerly puppet army commander, are under surveillance.

Though nervous over the tension, the Chinese civilians in Soochow are all hoping that the Chinese troops will soon retake the city.

SEVERE FIGHTING

SHUUKWAN, Aug. 1 (Central)—Desultory but severe fighting occurred during the past week over a wide area in the Swatow-Chaochow district in east Kwangtung, according to field despatches. Along the banks of the Hongkong River, which washes the eastern suburbs of Chaochow, off-and-on gun duels between the Japanese and Chinese artillery forces took place on several days of the week.

FORAGING PARTY

Early last week, a small Japanese foraging party ventured out from Fengki, west of Chaochow, to ravage Kuohong but was beaten back by Chinese troops. Several Japanese were killed in a brisk engagement.

Another Japanese thrust from Chaochow, with five armoured cars, was repulsed by the Chinese at Kuohong on July 25.

BARACKS AFIRE

SIUHSUI, Aug. 1 (Central)—In a lightning attack, Chinese units smashed into Sungtow. Japanese stronghold between Fenghsin and Anyi in north Kiangsi, on Tuesday night. More than 100 casualties were inflicted on the Japanese, two Japanese barracks were set afire and a number of rifles were seized by the Chinese.

TRAIN MINED

LOYANG, Aug. 1 (Central)—Chinese troops laid mines on the Lunghai Railway at Tangshan, north Kiangsu town near the Honan border, 52 miles west of Hsuehchow, on the night of July 18. A Japanese westbound train struck them the following morning. The locomotive and six wagons were wrecked and about 100 casualties resulted. Three Japanese were captured.

CHUNGKING RATE 4½d.

CHUNGKING, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Ministry of Finance officially announced today that "the official dollar-sterling rate will be changed to 4½d as from today."

Rates for other than foreign currencies will be fixed according to their respective market rates with sterling in comparison to the new dollar-sterling rate.

The Foreign Trade Commission and the Bank of China Commissions have been duly notified.



Mr. Henry L. Stimson, the new United States Secretary of War.

Political Significance Of Arrests

U.S. JOURNALIST "SUMMONED"

TOKYO, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Mr. G. R. Morin, chief representative in Tokyo of the Associated Press of America was "summoned" by the military police yesterday evening, states the Domei Agency, on the ground that he "sent a series of cables reporting false and groundless news" in connection with the death of Mr. Cox.

The Agency adds that Mr. Morin was released late last night after he has given an "apology."

Mr. Morin earlier yesterday acted as pall-bearer at the funeral of Mr. Cox.

LONDON OPINION

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—In connexion with the arrests in Japan, it is pointed out in London that many of these Britons have been giving years of their life to improving relations between Japan and Britain.

The only charge which could possibly be laid against them is that they succeeded so well that their actions caused serious difficulties to the anti-British extremists aiming at complete control of Japan. The arrests obviously have a political significance.

SECRET AGENTS

It is also pointed out in London that members of the Japanese Society in London are not regarded with suspicion nor is the organization barred as a hot-bed of espionage.

On the Japanese basis, all Japanese working for good relations would be regarded as secret agents, to say nothing of the leaders of other Powers in Japan.

INTENSIVE BOMBING RAIDS AT KASSALA

An R.A.F. communique issued yesterday morning in Cairo, according to British Wireless, says:—

"In the last two days enemy concentrations in the vicinity of Kassala have been subjected to intensive bombing raids by R.A.F. aircraft."

LEGAL ASPECT

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their contracts, intend to return to England.

ENGLISH LAW The definition of the word "domicile," according to Dicey's "Conflict of Laws," clearly states that "a person's domicile is the place considered by English Law to be his permanent home."

With Mr. North's reply in mind, it will be noted that he further qualified his statement by the words "not normally"—meaning apparently those not living permanently in Hongkong.

It is difficult to understand, therefore, how the Government's evacuation order came to be applied to ALL THOSE BRITISH SUBJECTS WHO DEFINITELY HAVE A PERMANENT HOME IN THIS COLONY.

COMMONS STATEMENT This view is borne out by a Reuter message received yesterday which states that in reply to a question in the House of Commons

TURKEY'S PROBLEM IN THE BALKANS

BERLIN, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Salzburg and Rome conversations have brought about the development which admits of no further justification for the Balkan Entente, writes the diplomatic correspondent of the Berliner Boersen-Zeitung.

Rumania, by voluntarily associating herself with the policy of the Axis, and by the impending agreement with Bulgaria and Hungary, has already repudiated the policy and organisation of the Entente.

"The end of the Balkan Entente confronts Turkey with the problem of whether she will adapt herself to the policy which her Balkan partners have embraced, or will embrace, or if she will continue her withdrawal from Europe and make it final and definite," the correspondent concludes.

RUMANIAN GOVT. FACE CRISIS

POLICY OF CESSION

BUCHAREST, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—Despite the approval expressed in the Press, it is evident that the visit of the Rumanian statesmen to Salzburg and Rome has done little to relieve Rumanian difficulties.

There is dissension in the Government camp and a crisis is expected within a few days.

WAGNERIAN RECEPTION

It is said that the Rumanian statesmen were received by Hitler in a Wagnerian manner and told to get about the petty business of Transylvanian revision as quickly as possible.

It is believed that the precise requirements for the cession of certain provinces to Hungary were formulated in Rome, but any idea of meeting these requirements is finding lively opposition from the Transylvanian leaders.

ARMY SUPPORT

M. Gurguta, the Prime Minister, last night had a long conversation with M. Maniu, leader of the former National Peasant Party, and explained the necessity for Rumania accepting territorial cession in favour of Hungary, but M. Maniu refused categorically to accept the policy of cession, declaring that the whole population of Transylvania, totalling 3,500,000, are determined to resist concession at any price and that they have asked the army to support them.

M. Maniu added that he himself would not accept leadership of a central government unless he had a free choice of ministers.



Col. Frank Knox, the newly elected United States Secretary of the Navy.

6,000 Planes For U.S. Navy

RECORD-BREAKING APPROPRIATIONS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The House of Representatives Appropriations Committee has recommended expenditure for a "two ocean navy" and the equipping of the Army with 2,000,000 men.

The expenditure totals approximately \$5,000,000,000 and brings the appropriations by the present session of Congress for the Army and Navy to the record breaking total of over \$10,000,000,000.

The Committee also recommended approval of the Budget Bureau's request for 14,394 planes of various types of which 1,028 would be for the Navy. (This would give the Navy about 6,000 serviceable planes.)

Burma Road Traffic

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs (Mr. R. A. Butler) in the House of Commons yesterday stated the recent Anglo-Japanese Burma Road agreement does not give the Japanese authorities any rights of inspection.

The only diplomatic staff in Burma is the Japanese consulate at Rangoon, consisting of the Japanese Consul, two Japanese clerks, an Indian and a Burman. (There has been no increase recently, and the British Government has no information that any is intended.)

In reply to a further question, Mr. Butler said that certain information would be exchanged about traffic on the Burma route.

PASSENGERS ON EXCALIBUR

"Capt. & Mrs. Wood"

LISBON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The Duke and Duchess of Windsor appear in the passenger list of the Excalibur as "Captain and Mrs. Wood."

The Excalibur is due to sail at 6 p.m. today. It is believed that only the Duke's secretary, Major Gray Phillips, will accompany the Duke and Duchess. They will take their meals separately.

LATE DECISION

The Excalibur reached Lisbon five days ago but it is learned that the departure of the Duke and Duchess was only definitely decided yesterday.

The list of passengers includes Mr. A. J. Biddle, United States Ambassador to Poland; and Mr. William Phillips, U.S. Ambassador in Rome.

Most of the passengers are refugees of all nationalities.

MOST HARMONIOUS PAN-AMERICAN PARLEY YET HELD

LONDON, AUG. 1 (REUTERS)—PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT RESULT of the Pan-American Conference has been to demonstrate the capacity of the American Republics for prompt and united action, says The Times.

The threat of German victories in Europe and the indirect activities of Nazi agents in Central and South America were the principal factors in bringing about what is probably the most harmonious Pan-American Conference yet held.

The common determination to "keep the swastika out of the Americas," dominated the proceedings.

Referring to the resolution recommending economic co-operation and marketing agreements, The Times says that the effect of the Conference's action, in drawing closer the economic bonds between the United States and other American Republics, will be to assist the British Government in the arduous and ungrateful task of making sure that neutral countries will not become the channel through which Nazi Germany can replenish her resources or equip herself for fresh acts of aggression.

PETROL EXPORT BANNED

President Approves Measure

WASHINGTON, August 1 (Reuters)—The Government has banned the export of aviation petrol to all nations except those of the Western Hemisphere. American-owned aviation firms outside the Western Hemisphere, however, will still be permitted to obtain fuel.

Mr. Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's Secretary, told the press that Colonel Maxwell, export control Administration, had recommended the step and the President had approved of it.

Mr. Early said that he did not know whether the United States has been exporting petrol to Britain.

By allowing American-owned companies to continue to obtain petrol the Administration will have to co-operate with such firms as the Pan-American Airways which operates to Portugal and along various Pacific routes.

JAPAN HARD HIT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—While the ban which the United States Government yesterday placed on the export of aviation petrol applies to all nations except those in the western hemisphere, it will mainly effect supplies reaching Japan, as the British blockade is already taking care of the axis Powers in Europe.

Whether this has any connection with the continued Japanese pressure on Americans in China, and threats against them, is not known, but the timing of the ban compels notice.

British supplies are apparently not affected for Canada is still able to buy, which will enable her to ship all her present stocks to England. This is additional to the supplies available to Britain from Central America, for example Venezuela.

NATURAL STEP

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The United States ban on the export of aviation spirit outside the Western Hemisphere is regarded in authoritative circles in London as a natural step in the American policy of ensuring her preparedness to meet aggression, says "Reuters".

It is well recognised here that conservation of adequate supplies of certain vital commodities is a necessary feature of defensive preparations.

So far as the effect on Britain is concerned, it is pointed out in industrial circles that part of Great Britain's strength, so far as oil supplies are concerned, lies in the fact that she is able to import oil from all quarters of the globe.

100 GERMAN PRISONERS

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The list of German prisoners in British hands since the last list was issued on July 29, totals 100 and includes 38 airmen.

FORMATION OF INTERNATIONAL LABOUR FORCE

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. BEVIN

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—In the House of Commons, Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister for Labour and National Service, announced the formation of an international labour branch as part of the employment department of the Ministry for Labour, with a view to organising the manpower of the Allied nations and other well-disposed persons of foreign nationality in the United Kingdom.

Mr. Bevin added that he hoped to have the advice and assistance of an advisory committee, including Trade Union representatives from foreign countries. He hoped thereby to get valuable assistance in establishing bona fides of well-disposed foreigners and in bringing sympathetic consideration to bear on individual cases.

PREFERENCE

Asked to see that Englishmen had preference, Mr. Bevin replied that it was the policy of his department to see that Britishers had preference, but at present he was extremely short of skilled men, and in utilising the skill and ability of a number of foreigners he would actually be putting the Britishers to work.

Mr. Bevin declared that his department had nothing to do with the people who were interned, the question of whose release was a matter for the Home Secretary.

His committee would work through the Trade Union Congress with the assistance of employers and organisations.

Concluding, Mr. Bevin said, "I do not propose to use the term aliens or refugees. It is my intention, once foreigners have been passed on to me by the Security Department, and when the security is not in danger, to call them an international labour force."

SPAIN'S POLICY OF EXPANSION

FRANCO'S THREAT EXPLAINED

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—In the House of Commons yesterday, Government was asked whether diplomatic or other action had been taken "to meet the threat of General Franco's announcement on July 17 that it was Spain's duty to obtain command of Gibraltar and expansion in Africa."

Replying for the Government, Mr. Clement Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, declared that there had been some misconceptions on General Franco's statement.

SPAIN'S GREATNESS After a historical reference to Spain's greatness, General Franco went on to refer to the political statement of Queen Isabella, including what he termed the request of Gibraltar and the vision of Africa.

General Franco added that these were questions which, after four centuries, still endured as an eternal obligation.

Mr. Attlee said that full note had been taken of the statement, but His Majesty's Government did not regard it as involving a fresh departure in Spanish policy.

LITTLE PUBLICITY

MADRID, Aug. 1 (Reuters)—The announcement of extension of the British blockade receives little publicity in the Spanish press. However, observers here consider that the fact that no unfavourable comment has appeared may be regarded as indicating that the authorities recognise that the new measures are in no way intended to harm legitimate Spanish interests.

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BAND LEADER MARRIED AT REGISTRY

Mr. "Pinky" Flo Pineda, popular band leader of the Cathay Ballroom Orchestra, was married at the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon.

His pretty bride was Miss Olga C. Souza, formerly a student of St. Francis School.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated. Mr. Chu Kung-hua, residing at No. 11, Queen's Road Central, and Miss Lam Shui-lin, of No. 6, Cheong On Street, were also married at the Registry yesterday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—

Mr. Chan Sik-wan, student, residing at No. 108, Yee Kuk Street, and Miss Leung Wai-hing, student of No. 39, In Chau Street.

Mr. Wong Fong, manager of Messrs. Fong Kee of No. 52, Western Street, and Miss Leung Mui-ha, residing at No. 28, Lyndhurst Terrace.

Panama Canal Zone Check-Up: 350 Different Nationals Found On Army Payroll

Ancon, Canal Zone.—Officials of the United States Army Intelligence of the Panama Canal Department have completed a whirlwind four-day inspection of approximately 350 alien employees of the Army, preparatory to dismissing any that may be potential "Fifth Columnists."

The Army revealed its plans for alien housekeeping recently and without making an official announcement immediately began interviewing all known aliens, on whom files had been kept, with regard to checking their passports and required Panamanian "cedulas."

On the Pacific side, where headquarters lies, there were approximately 100 alien employees, mostly Germans and Austrians with a smattering of Poles, Czechs, Greeks, and Swedes.

ALIEN EMPLOYEES

This number does not include the British and French labourers who are not regarded apparently as dangerous aliens. There were, according to authoritative sources, some 250 alien employees throughout Army sectors on the Atlantic side, which had many more posts.

The greatest number of alien employees is within the jurisdiction of the Constructing Quarters Corps according to official sources. Some aliens are employed in civilian jobs around Army posts in the Post Exchanges, restaurants, photo shops and barracks.

The Panama Canal Department construction work, it was learned, has not one alien on its Gold (white) employment rolls.

"FIFTH COLUMNISTS?" On the Silver employment list, (coloured and native) are only natives from the Western Hemisphere.

Nevertheless, the civilian intelligence service of the Canal Zone is making a personal investigation of its own alien employees, which includes British and French subjects, according to official records.

In what manner the army plans to rid itself of its potential "Fifth Columnists" has not been made public.

Newspapermen noticed with interest that first anti-alien action seemed to be taken after newspapermen pressed for a story on the subject.

THE WAR ON CANCER

Woman Physician's Prediction

Chicago.—The war on cancer was given new encouragement today with the announcement by Dr. Maud Slye that "in 50 years we will know enough about the human family to breed cancer out of its life."

NEW CONTRIBUTION

Dr. Slye, a gray-haired little woman, made this startling and encouraging announcement in an address before the University of Chicago Alumnae breakfast at Ida Noyes hall.

"The new contribution in the war against cancer will be made by the science of genetics, that is, the law governing heredity, which heretofore has not influenced the art of medical practice or the mating of humanity," Dr. Slye said.

More than 30 years ago, Dr. Slye, then a slight girl with boundless ambition, told her alma mater, the University of Chicago, what she wanted to do some research of benefit to humanity but that she lacked the funds.

LEARNED ABOUT MICE

She was given a secretarial job and started her post-graduate work of preparation for her study of cancer. Since that time she has bred 180,000 mice and performed 145,000 autopsies in the search for the causes and effects of cancer.

During that time she has raised the life span of a mouse from two months to three years.

"It took 30 years to learn about mice, and it will take another 50 years, to learn about humans," she said.

With a family of cancer-infected mice, Dr. Slye can continue the breed and eliminate cancer. She believes the same can be done with humans.

Her laboratory is in her home which she calls the "mouse house." The entire first floor is stacked high with mouse cages that overflow to the second story which also houses her office and living quarters.

COMPLETE CHANGE IN SUMMER FASHIONS

STEP RIGHT UP!

BIG JOB GOES BEGGIN

New York.—There's a \$6,500 job in the New York Department of Hospitals going begging.

The pay is fine, Dr. Sigismund S. Goldwater, Commissioner of Hospitals admits. But whoever gets the job as Deputy Commissioner will be guaranteed "at least one heart-break a day" and "maybe a laugh a week."

Under the new city charter, Dr. Goldwater is permitted two deputies. He has one, Julius Lynch Pfland, who supervises construction, engineering and architecture.

A PROBLEM

But to find the other is the problem.

According to Dr. Goldwater, the candidate needs kindness, tact, guts, patience and a sense of humour. More than that, he must have technical knowledge and administrative experience, including the knowledge of the routine of 100 departmental functions and the activities of hospital personnel. He hasn't found anyone to fill the bill. Step right up, candidates!

A.R.P. Orders

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing-Cdr. A. H. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of A.R.P.

RESIGNATIONS

The following resignations are notified with effect from this date:—H.1306, Ip Chun Wing of Shaokwan Division; H.788 Lo Yok Tong of Eastern Division; K.801 Lok Wing On and K.806 Miss Wong Pui of Shamshuipo Division.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. M. L. Bevan is appointed Deputy Divisional Warden, Western Division, with effect from this date.

Group Warden H.704 Tsang Chiu Wan is appointed District Warden, "E" Eastern Division with effect from this date.

PROMOTIONS

The following have been promoted with effect from July 26, 1940. Central Division to be Group Wardens: H.234 Cheng Kim Wun, H.239 Lo King Lau, H.236 Yeung Tak Wah, H.246 Tam Hung Ip, H.237 Li Chiu Yuen, H.408 Chan Ching Shan.

From Senior Wardens to Group Wardens: H.232 Cheong Po Man, H.235 Ng Yee Chang, H.238 Lau Man Fong.

To be Senior Wardens: H.231 Miss Liu Sin Kwan, H.268 Leung Yuk Hing, H.276 Tsang Shing Kan, H.284 Miss Law Shok Chong, H.415 Sin Cheuk Fan.

To be Deputy Senior Wardens: H.403 Tam Shui Yu, H.405 Cheng Po Hay.

Hung Hom: To be Senior Wardens: K.1035 Wong Wing Shuk, K.1009 Yeung Shing, K.1007 Koo Wing Nin, K.1008 Chan Chiu, K.1051 Lai Kwok Sing.

To be Acting Senior Wardens: K.1004 Chan Kam, K.1003 Lam Cheuk, K.1008 Chan Tat Hon, K.1019 Heung Yu Chai.

To be Deputy Senior Wardens: K.1003 Sheh Sze Fan, K.1007 Lee Kwong Chum, K.1010 Leung Fung, K.1012 Tam Ming Fai, K.1029 Chow Kau, K.1030 Au Yeung Yuk, K.1049 Miss Lau Chung Sang.

To be Acting Deputy Senior Wardens: K.1023 Mak Hin Wah, K.1026 Mak Chi Kong, K.1027 Kwan Shiu Ming, K.1032 Wong Man Jun.

Kowloon City: To be Senior Wardens: K.1251 B. H. S. Alves, K.1278 Chiu Siu Lai, K.1282 Lau Wah Chiu, K.1300 Yim Chong Bol, K.1338 Lam Ting Kwong, K.1282 Lau Ying Yeung, K.1279 Lai Shui Wing, K.1292 Wong Mau Fan, K.1305 V. T. Low, K.1274 Chan Cho Chak, K.1280 Miss Julia Lam, K.1285 Wong Tak Lau, K.1307 Chan Kai Wing.

Mongkok: To be Senior Wardens: K.501 A. E. Ablong, K.514 Fung Fung Kung, K.535 Li Hon Chee, K.542 Liu Kee Ming, K.573 J. P. Xavier, K.508 Chan Suni, K.525 Lau Kip Yu, K.537 Li Shu Ming, K.557 A. W. De Rosa, K.513 Fan Oi Man, K.531 Leung Hon Chuen, K.358 Li Ying Kee, K.567 Wong Fai.

To be Deputy Senior Wardens: K.503 Chan Cho Wing, K.521 Kwan Chak, K.541 Liu Kwok Hing, K.571 Wong Tak, K.504 Chan Cheung, K.532 Johnson Leung, K.562 To Lai, K.578 Yuen Yick Sheng, K.515 Ho Leung Tak, K.534 Leung Sung Ching, K.568 Wong Hais Po, K.577 Yung Chu Wing.

INDIANS OFFER TO PROTECT U.S. AGAINST INVASION

Gallup, N. M.—Any foreign powers contemplating an invasion of America better be prepared to feel the effects of ferocious warfare as only the American Indians can conduct it. In fact they better read up on American history and learn about the cunning and viciousness of early American Indians, because the Navajo Indians of Gallup have just passed a resolution pledging "loyalty to the government with armed defence if necessary."

ROUSING VOTE

Led by the elders of the Navajo Indian tribe, the tribal council unanimously adopted by a rousing vote a resolution banning any evidence of un-American subversive activities among the Indians and defence of America.

Four-hundred Indian spectators cheered as the vote was cast. Many of the members of the tribal council are veterans of the last war and they spoke with patriotic intensity for national defence.

SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

LONDON, Aug. 1. (Reuter).—A bulletin issued yesterday states that Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who was operated on a few days ago, continues to make satisfactory progress. No further bulletins will be issued.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS
H.785 Au Kwong Lim now resides at Gloucester Hotel (Central); H.786 Au Kwong Yim now resides at Room No. 308, China Building (Central).

MEETING
Shamshuipo Division: There will be a meeting of District Wardens and Deputy District Wardens on Thursday, August 1, at 8.15 p.m. in the Yee Kuk Street Dispensary.

TRAINING
Test Exercise—Shamshuipo Division: Districts "C" and "D." A test exercise of Posts to be manned at 2.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Uniform or Armlets, and Respirators.

Wardens' Class in English (E.21): Wah Yan College, 2 Robinson Road, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. commencing August 2, 1940. Lecturer: District Warden Kwan Man Wai, L.A.R.P.S. Wardens' Classes in Chinese: C.182, Yew Yung College, 178 Ma Tau Wai Road, Hunghom on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6.30 p.m. commencing 18.40. Lecturer: Mr. Kwan Yew Kwan, L.A.R.P.S.

C.183, Fishermen's Children's School, Wai Fung St., Apichau on Thursdays, August 1, at 8.15 p.m. in the Yee Kuk Street Dispensary.

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"BATTLE FOR ENGLAND"

Britain Braced Up For Hitler's Worst

LONDON.—LIKE A DETACHED AUDIENCE WATCHING WITH INTENT BUT ACADEMIC INTEREST THE INEXORABLE CONTINUITY OF A GREEK TRAGEDY, the people of Great Britain have watched the collapse of Poland, Denmark, Holland, Belgium and France and even now when the play is spinning down through the final act they do not seem to consider the possibility that the forces in the tragedy might also apply to themselves, writes James B. Reston.

THE ENGLISHMAN'S CONFIDENCE IS BOUNDLESS. As the battle for his homeland starts it matches his patience and defies all logic, and if, as many believe, it has reduced him to his present state, at least one cannot help thinking that since it has survived the battle for France perhaps it will survive the battle for Britain.

THINKING PEOPLE

The British are not fools and the thinking people of this country know as well as anybody else what a terrific blow the collapse of France was, but in their eagerness not to show their disappointment everybody has felt it, his duty to search out some good argument to minimize the present tragedy.

The British have a genius for this sort of thing. At the war they have managed to find something good in everything. When Poland collapsed they pointed out that at least Germany was not as strong as before. When Holland stopped fighting they said it was a good thing because it prevented the Allies from attempting a desperate adventure.

When Norway went down they said, "Look how many planes the Nazis lost in the campaign," and when the Low Countries were conquered they said Germany had taken on a hostile people they would never be able to feed and who would contribute to the defeat of Hitler and his regime in the end.

ISLAND DEFENCE

Now their explanations are equally illogical and picturesque. It was bad, they admitted, but at least now they could concentrate on their own island and would not have to split their forces.

British fighter planes, they truly pointed out, were built to defend this island and they were more effective here than anywhere else. And best of all—one heard this everywhere—they rejoiced that now all British troops would be back home where they could work as solid unbeatable army on the simple task of the defending of the island.

MORE THAN CHEER

It is not only that the British are trying to cheer one another up, either. Many of them sincerely have set their minds on these half truths and lull themselves into a state of complacency by repeating them. They want, in fact they almost insist, on believing the best and no matter what Prime Minister Churchill or Alfred Duff Cooper or the editorial writers say they keep on, feeling that everything is going to be all right.

This is at once a strength and a weakness. It is a strength because they do not get hysterical or panicky and waste a lot of nervous energy worrying about invasion and bombing before they come. In a way this is a strength, too, because as a whole they do not really understand the seriousness of their strategic position or the comparative weakness of their equipment, but at the same time it is a great weakness because hundreds of thousands of them simply have not got excited enough about the country's danger to do anything to help her.

This attitude in general can be traced back to the inherent belief that somehow they will win. America or Russia will come in or Hitler won't be able to get across the Channel, they figure, or, as one responsible journal suggested, the Germans may even decide now that they have beaten France to turn East against the Balkans or Russia instead of attacking England.

"PEOPLE'S WAR" SUGGESTED

This is not to say, however, that all the people of this country are merely sitting around waiting for victory to come to them. As a matter of fact only in the past few days a lot of people have been suggesting this should be turned into a people's war, that every able-bodied man in the country

should be given some kind of fire-arm and that as in days of old this mob-army should be turned loose on the enemy if he attempts to land.

Those who suggest this would get around the nation's shortage of arms by arming men with hand grenades which can be manufactured by the hundreds of thousands in a hurry. The Daily Express wants "a hand grenade dump at every village pump," but though the thought of such an army tends to frighten the General Staff here more than an invasion by the Germans the movement definitely indicates that apathy only extends to one section of the population.

FUTURE ATTITUDE

It is perhaps significant and prophetic of the future attitude of the Englishman under fire that this drive for mob action against the Germans has been most popular along the East Coast of the country, where most German raids have been carried out so far. Here people spent almost as much time in shelters this week as in bed. It is hard to be apathetic about that.

All over this section and elsewhere in the country, too, people are beginning to act very much as if they already were besieged. Down in Kent, for example, one hears about people filling old wine bottles with gasoline, paraffin and tar, fusing them with firecrackers. These crude homemade bombs—V. Sackville-West calls them "Molotov cocktails"—will presumably be used against any parachute troops who attempt to land in the vicinity.

NOTHING APATHETIC

No, there is certainly nothing apathetic about the makers of these bombs or about the farmers who are felling trees and digging ditches across their meadows to prevent German troop-carrying planes from landing. Nor are others likely to be apathetic when the present active British Government catches up with the mistakes of its predecessors and gets machinery speeded up to the point where it can offer jobs of national import to thousands of able bodied young men who are willing to serve but who, for lack of a special lead, don't know what to do.

The chief weaknesses of this country in the present and perhaps the decisive battle of the war, are a bad start and the general insufficiency of everything. The nation has quality—of men and machines—but it has not quantity in anything.

THE FIGHTING ODDS

It is a nation of 48,000,000 fighting one of 80,000,000. Its aircraft in the past has been fighting at odds of 1 to 4 and there is no assurance that, even this average will not get less favourable. Its bomb production too, an important item in these days and nights of reprisals, again is below "the enemy's."

But it has, of course, its strength. Hitler may be a miracle man but he has not yet mastered the elements. He cannot turn water into land and so long as Britain has a big moat around her fortress she has a great advantage in the coming struggle.

The German Fuehrer can bring this country to its knees in three main ways. He can bomb her out, starve her out or drive her out by invasion, but so long as that most remains the last is going to be difficult.

HELP AND HINDERANCE

As Mr. Churchill pointed out in the Commons, though it would not be difficult for the Germans to land 10,000 men somewhere on Britain's long coastline it would take 250 ships for him to transport five divisions—a figure the Prime Minister seemed to believe would be necessary to form a formidable force.

But while the sea is a great help to Britain, it is also a great hinderance. Mr. Churchill has a superb navy at his command, a

H.K. ELECTRIC PAY INTERIM DIVIDEND

It was announced by Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co. Ltd., the Agents of the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd., that following a meeting of the Board of Directors yesterday morning an Interim Dividend of \$1. per share was declared in respect of the half year ended June 30, 1940, on 600,000 Old Shares.

This dividend will be payable on and after Wednesday, September 11, 1940, to those shareholders whose names appear in the Register of Members at the close of business on Saturday, August 31, 1940.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Thursday, Aug. 1. The market is off the boil, little trade has been reported today and listlessness replaces the burst of enquiries with which the week was ushered in.

SALES

H.K. Banks, \$1,220.
Cements, \$15.
Electrics "N" \$30.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Thursday, Aug. 1, 1940.

H.K. Electrics (N) 50 36.00
H.K. Lands 200 32.50

250

The total value is \$3,300.00

navy which proved in recent days that it can if necessary take its chances with bombers, but just the same the men and machines of this country must be fed across these seas, and this again is no easy task in the face of the strongest and most powerful air and submarine fleet in the world.

ATTACK ON AIRPORTS

It is perhaps significant, however, that Hitler did not open the Battle for Britain against the Navy but against the Royal Air Force. As in Poland, the Low Countries and France, his first objective was to try to destroy his opponent's planes before they got off the ground, so he took a crack at the airports in East England.

This was followed immediately by an attack on aircraft factories, which are likely to be his targets for weeks to come. His strategy here is fundamental. He hopes first to reduce the R. A. F. fighters on the ground and, if possible, to cut off their plane supply at the source in order, with unchallenged air superiority, to take on the British Army on its own soil.

If Britain is to withstand Germany in this war she has been weak rather than strong on the score of fast, imaginative work, but it will be necessary if she has to keep her industries and vital war organization going.

What cannot be determined yet is the way the people of this country are going to act when those large-scale bombings come. The people along the East Coast were magnificent in upstanding to the initial tests. They went into caves along the cliffs and dugouts for as much as four hours; they took their teapots along with them, they made tea and they sang songs.

When they found out that the Germans were after their factories some men on their own initiative started shuttering windows with steel and manning machine-gun posts on their own time. If that spirit spreads as the attack increases the conquest of this island kingdom will not be easy for Adolf Hitler.

WHEN TEST COMES

So far in this war she has been weak rather than strong on the score of fast, imaginative work, but it will be necessary if she has to keep her industries and vital war organization going.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyer	Seller	Value	Normal	THURSDAY 1. AUG	Buyer	Seller	Value	Normal
Banks								
C.D.	\$1230	...	...	H.K. Banks	...	...	\$1220	...
X.D.	268	...	...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	268	...
...	266	...	...	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	266	...
...	27	...	...	Chartered Banks	...	...	27	...
...	228	...	...	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	228	...
...	211	...	...	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...	...	211	...
...	273	...	...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	273	...
...	N. C. & S. Banks	...	...	60 ct.	...
Insurances								
...	Canton Insurances	...	...	330	...
...	Union Insurances	...	...	30 cts	...
...	Underwriters	...	...	\$160	...
...	H.K. Fires	...	...	...	...
Shipping								
...	Deughters	...	...	\$120	...
...	Steamboats	...	...	\$100	...
...	Indo-Chinas (Prof.)	...	...	\$100	...
...	Indo-Chinas (Def.)	...	...	33 1/4	...
...	Shells	...	...	\$6.90	...
...	Waterfronts	...	...	...	...
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	...
...	Providents (Old)	...	...	\$16 1/2	...
...	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...	...
Mining								
...	Railways	...	...	16/0	...
...	Roads	...	...	...	...
...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...	...
Lands, Hotels and Buildings								
...	H.K. & S. Hotels	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...	...
...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Realities	...	...	...	...
...	Humphreys	...	...	...	...
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...
Cotton Mills								
...	Evo (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	S'hai Cottons (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Zoong Sings (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	...
Public Utilities								
...	H.K. Tramways	...	...	...	...
...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Peak Trams (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	...
...	Y'mat Ferries	...	...	...	...
...	China Lights (O)	...	...	...	...
...	China Lights (New)	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric (Old)	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric (New)	...	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric (Old)	...	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric (New)	...	...	...	...
...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	...
...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Telephones (new)	...	...	...	...
...	S'pore Traction (Ord.)	...	...	...	...
Industrials								
...	Cald, Macg. (Ord.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	Cald, Macg. (Pref.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	Canton Ice	...	...	...	...
...	Cements	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Ropes	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Govt. Loans	...	...	...	...
...	4 1/2% Loan (1934)	...	...	...	...
...	3 1/2% (1940)	...	...	...	...
...	Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...
...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...	...
...	Entertainments	...	...	...	...
...	Constructions (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Constructions (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Lane Crawford	...	...	...	...
...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	...
...	Sincere	...	...	...	...
...	Watsons
...	Ch. G. S. 1925 G.S.Bs.
...	H.K. Wing On
...	Vibro Piling
...	Marmans Inv. (Lon.)
...	Marmans Inv. (H.K.)
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RUSSO-AMERICAN TRADE AGREEMENT

MOSCOW, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—Mr. Thurston, American Charge d'Affaires, saw the Foreign Trade Commissar, M. Mikoyan, yesterday. It is understood that the visit was in connexion with the Russo-American Trade Agreement which is due to expire on August 6. The Agreement, signed in 1937, has been renewed every year since.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON, July 31 (Reuter). Silver—Speculators sold. Support poor. "Business small. Market quiet. In the afternoon the market was idle. Spot, 22-3/8d. Forward, 22-1/8d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, July 31 (Reuter). Market—Quiet but steady. Off-take 25 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 62-13
Aug. 28 Settlement 62-12
Sept. 25 Settlement

Provisions Control Bureau

CHUNGKING, Aug. 1 (Central).—The Executive Yuan yesterday appointed Mr. Lu Tso-fu director of the National Provisions Control Bureau and Dr. Franklin L. Ho, Mr. Hsueh Chung-tao and Mr. Ho Pei-heng vice-directors.

The Yuan instructed the Ministries of Finance and Economic Affairs to jointly make preparations for the establishment of the Szechwan-Sikong Development Co. Ltd.

INDUSTRIALIST TO TOUR SOUTH-WEST

CHUNGKING, Aug. 1 (Central).—Mr. Tan Kah-kee, prominent Chinese industrialist in Singapore, who returned here recently after an extensive tour of the North-west, has left Chungking for Kunming by plane to tour the South-west.

He was seen off at the aerodrome by Mr. Chen Pu-wei, representing Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Dr. Chu Chia-hua, Director of the Organisation Board of the Kuomintang, and other prominent officials. From Kunming he will proceed to Kweichow, Kwangsi, Hunan, Kiangsi, Fukien and Kwangtung and will return to Singapore after the tour.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA STATEMENT

Calcutta, July 31 (Reuter). July 19 July 26

Notes in circulation (including Notes held in the Banking Department) 25,471 26,378
Rupee Coin and Bullion in India 2,920 3,827
Gold Coin and Bullion in India 4,441 4,441
Securities (Indian Government) 4,959 4,959
Securities (British Government) 13,150 13,150

STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange after early irregularity became firmer.

Kaffirs benefited from late Cape support and Oils recovered much of yesterday's losses. Japanese Bonds were about two points lower. Wall Street was steady.



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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Air Mail To Near East

LONDON, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—Letters from Home can now be sent by air mail to the Near East, India, China and Australia. They are sent by steamship to South Africa, thence by the New Empire route around the Indian Ocean. The rate is 1/-3 per half-ounce and 7d for postcard.

PACIFIC AIR SERVICE

MELBOURNE, Aug. 1 (Reuter).—The Commonwealth Air Minister, Mr. J. V. Fairbairn, announced that linking with the Pan-American Clipper service from the United States, a special plane will leave Auckland tomorrow for Tasmania. This step is being taken pending the receipt of the British Government's reply to certain proposals put forward at a conference of New Zealand representatives.

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

BANKS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

AUG. 1, 1940

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/4
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8
Credits 4 months sight 1 3/12

On Shanghai:—
On demand 37 1/2
On Singapore:—
On demand 52 3/4

On Japan:—
On demand 97

On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 1/2
On demand 1/2 1/2

On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 22 7/8
Credits 60 days sight 21 1/4

On Batavia:—
On demand 42 3/4

On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand 108 1/2
Credits 4 months sight 115 1/2

On Saigon:—
On demand 104

On Manila:—
On demand 45 3/4

On Bangkok:—
On demand 149 1/2

On Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate 1/5
Bar Silver per oz. 22 3/8

MARKET REPORT

FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 22 3/8 for Ready and 22 1/16 for Forward. Silver advances reported Speculators as having sold. A small business was done. The market was quite. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

MARKET

STERLING

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/2 31/32 August, probably September, buyers at 1/3 for Cash.

U.S. DOLLARS

There were sellers at 23 1/16 for Cash, buyers at 23 1/4.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Quiet. There were sellers at 38 1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

There were sellers of Sterling for Spot at 3 7/8. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 6 and closed at 5 1/2 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

STERLING

The market closed with sellers at 1/2 31/32 August, probably September, buyers at 1/3 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers at 23 1/16 September, possibly Cash, buyers at 23 1/4 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Closed with sellers at 38 1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling closed with sellers at 3 55/64 and U.S. Dollars at 5 15/16.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Aug. 1 (Reuters).
Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	0/3-3/4	5-3/4
New York	24-1/4	20-3/4
Japan	20-3/4	24-7/8
Paris	24-7/8	
Hongkong		

Sterling
Sellers

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-7/8	0/3-55/64
Aug.	0/3-55/64	0/3-55/64

U.S. Dollars
Sellers

	Opening	Closing
Spot	\$5-31/32	\$5-31/32
Aug.	5-15/16	5-15/16

Market—Quiet.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, July 31 (Reuters).
T.T. on Japan, 85-1/4.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, July 31 (Reuters).
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 90-02-0.

LONDON METALS

London, July 31 (Reuters).
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £228-1/8.
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £228-5/8.

LONDON GOLD

London, July 31 (Reuters).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 188/-

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

NEW YORK, July 31, 1940.

SINGAPORE RUBBER	Previous	July 31	Closing	Change
	Close	Opening		
	Buyers	Buyers		
S.P.O.T.....	37	37-1/4	38-7/8	Off 1/8
OCT./DEC.....	35-3/8	35-1/2	35-3/8	unch.
JAN./MAR.....	32-3/4	33	32-7/8	Up 1/8

The market was easier.

LONDON RUBBER	Previous close	Today's close	Change
	buyers	buyers	
S.P.O.T.....	12-5/8	12-7/8	Up 1/4
AUGUST.....	12-5/8	12-7/8	Up 1/4
SEPTEMBER.....	12-1/2	12-3/4	Up 1/4
OCT.-DEC.....	12-3/8	12-5/8	Up 1/4
JAN./MARCH.....	12	12-1/8	Up 1/8
APRIL-JUNE.....	11-3/4	11-7/8	Up 1/8

NEW YORK COTTON: Interest is being centered on the pending crop reports. The weather forecast indicates fair conditions over the cotton belt.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Freer Eastern offerings were steadily absorbed by factory and commission houses demand. News from Akron was encouraging.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Weather conditions are still unfavourable although the indications are for showers in the North-West. Mill interests buying on reactions steadied prices at the decline.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 125.97; Today's close, 126.14; Change, Up 17.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTERS SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, Oct.	9.44	9.38	9.40	0.01 off
New York Rubber, Sept.	19.58	19.37	19.51	0.14 off
Chicago Wheat, Sept.	75 1/2	75 1/8	75 1/8	1/8 off
Chicago Corn, Sept.	62 1/2	61 1/2	62 1/2	1/8 off
New York Hides, Sept.	9.13	8.80	9.03	8.98b 0.05 off

Total sales, Tuesday—29,100 bales.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK COTTON				
Oct. (New contract)	9.40/41	9.44/44	9.39/39	0.01 off
December	9.28/28	9.31/31	9.27/27	0.01 off
January	9.17 N	9.19b/21a	9.16n	0.01 off
March	9.06 N	9.09/09	9.05/05	0.01 off
May	8.87 N	8.90b/91a	8.86n	0.01 off
July	8.69/69	8.71/71	8.66/66	0.03 off
Spot	10.20 N		10.19n	0.01 off

Total sales, Tuesday—29,100 bales.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK RUBBER				
September	19.51/51	19.51b/70a	19.37/38	0.14 off
December	18.97/97	18.95b/19.10a	18.90/90	0.07 off
January	18.88 N	18.88n	18.81n	0.07 off
March	18.73 N	18.79b	18.69n	0.04 off
May	18.58 N		18.46n	0.13 off

Total sales—3,360 tons.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
CHICAGO WHEAT				
September	76 1/8	76 7/8	75 1/8	0-1/4 off
December	76 1/8	76 7/8	76 1/8	0-3/8 off

Tuesday's sales—15,272,000 bushels.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
CHICAGO CORN				
September	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	0-1/2 off
December	59 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	0-1/2 off

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
WINNIPEG WHEAT				
July	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2	unch.
October	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	
December	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK HIDES				
September	9.03/03	9.13/13	8.98b/9.02a	0.05 off
December	9.20/20	9.28/24	9.18b/20a	0.02 off

Total sales for the day—119 contracts.

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
NEW YORK OFFICIAL	34-3/4		34-3/4	
NY/London Cross Rate	3.82-1/2		3.83-1/2	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, July 31.		Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%	
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.		(Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	8
		Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	8
		Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924	25
		Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	5
		Chartered Bank	7
		H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	65
		H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	68
		Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	16
		Chosen Corporation	4
		Pekin Syndicate	2
		S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	15
		S'hai Waterworks "A"	13 1/2
		Union Insurance	20
		Gula Kalumpung Rubber	15
		B.A. Tob. (bearer)	73 1/2
		Mercantile Bank	11 1/2
		Dunlop Rubber	26/9
		Bristol Aeroplane	9
		Imperial Chemical Ind.	24 7/8
		United Steel	16 10/16
		Woolworths	53 1/4
		Marsman Investments	8 1/4
		Western Holdings	7/8
		Sub-Nigel	162/8
		Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer)	33 1/4
		Nat. Defence Bonds: 3%	100-3/8
		London-Midlands-Scot-tish, 3%	12-1/4
		Great Western Rail-	
		Nat. Bank of India, 3%	26-1/2
		way, 3%	27

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTERS SERVICE)

AUG. 1, 1940.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Adams Express	5 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	27 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	22	Loew's Inc.	28 1/2
Allis Chalmers	32 1/2	Loft Incorporated	24 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	65	Mack Truck Inc.	22 1/2
Amer. Can.	95 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	31 1/2
American Cyanamid E.	35	McKesson & Robbins, pf4.	22
Amer. & Foreign Power	14 1/2	Montgomery Ward	42 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	14 1/2	M'tain City Copper Co.	2 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	15 1/2	National Aviation	10 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6	Nat. Dairy Products	14 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	11	National Distillers	20 1/2
Amer. S'ing and Ring Co.	39 1/2	National Lead	17
Amer. Sugar Refining	13 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	183	National Supply Corp.	6
Amer. Tobacco "B"	76	New York Central	12 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	20 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	4 1/2
Anaconda Copper	8 1/2	N. American Aviation	16 1/2
Aviation Corp.	15 1/2	North American Co.	20
Baldwin Locomotive	15 1/2	Northern Pacific	6 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	30 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	57 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	10 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	30
Barnsdall Oil	24 1/2	Packard Motors	3 1/2
Bendix Aviation	29 1/2	Pan-American Airways	14 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	79	Paramount Pictures	5 1/2
Bliss & Co.	13 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	20 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	14 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal	0 1/2
Borg-Warner	17	Phillips Petroleum	32 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	18 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	38 1/2
Budd M'facturing Corp.	3 1/2	Pure Oil	7 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	47 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	42
Case, J.I.	30	Reading Company, Com	13
Celanese	30	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	38 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	4 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	73 1/2	Republic Steel	17 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	50	Reynold Tobac. "B"	35
Commercial Credit Co.	30	Safeway Stores	44
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	11	Schenley Distillers	10 1/2
Consolidated Edison	28 1/2	Pullman Inc.	19 1/2
Consolidated Oil	38 1/2	Revere Corp.	9
Continental Can.	6 1/2	Sears Roebuck	76
Continental Oil	18 1/2	Shell Union Oil	8 1/2
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Curtiss Wright (C.)	7 1/2	Southern Pacific	8 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	25	Southern Ry. 5 1/2 pf4.	19
Distillers Corp., Seagrams	16 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	26 1/2
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Elec. Bond & Share	5 1/2	Swift International	17 1/2
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Great Northern Ry. pf4.	24	United Gas Improvement	12
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Hercules Powder Co.	82	U.S. Rubber \$8 pf4.	80
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EXAMINATION RESULTS

The following, having qualified
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STRENGTH INCREASE

The following have been taken
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NOTICE

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AUXILIARY NURSING SERVICE

The Home Nursing Lecture at
Queen Mary Hospital will be held
as usual at 5.30 p.m. on Monday,
August 5.

The following members of the
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now completed their hospital
training and gained their
proficiency certificates: Mary Sterling,
Helen Ho, Josephine Chao,
Patricia Elliot, Marguerite Crabbe,
Dorothy Germaln, Gertrude Chao.

MORE THAN 200 APPLY FOR AIR TRAINING

Lack of knowledge of mathematics, as well as the stringent
requirements of the R.A.F. medical test, will weed out a large
number of applicants of every nationality who have responded
in scores to the call for candidates for the S.S. Volunteer Air
Force who will be trained for duties with the R.A.F. in a Singapore
flying training school to be established in the middle of
next month.

Over 200 applications from all
over the country have been received
by the Director of Civil Aviation,
who told a Malays Tribune
representative that a large number
of these would be disqualified
purely on the ground of lack of
educational qualifications.

Because there is not enough
time for the authorities to attempt
instruction in mathematics,
candidates will have to have at
least a nodding acquaintance with
algebra and trigonometry and must
have got through the Senior Cambridge
examination.

This knowledge of mathematics
is most necessary because the
greater part of the training of an
R.A.F. officer is in navigation.

The medical test is expected to
weed out more than 50 per cent.
of the applicants. This was the
result arrived at when the recent
attempt to raise a S.S. Volunteer
Flying Reserve among British
Europeans was made.

There are no trained men among
the applications received, apart
from the number of flying club
members, whose applications were
made through the flying clubs,
and who have already had a fair
amount of flying experience.
There are not very many non-European
candidates with flying
experience.

GIVING UP JOBS

While a large number of applications
have been received from
unemployed, a considerable number
of persons in good employment
have also asked for enrolment.

These applications have been
received from as far away as
Kelantan and Trengganu.

Notices for the medical examination
will be sent out early next
week.

The eye-sight test is expected to
be a stumbling block for the
largest percentage. Weak eyesight
and the necessity of wearing
glasses, debar most of the candidates
for the R.A.F. in England,
Australia and Canada and is the
main defect experienced among
candidates medically tested.

Training of each batch of candidates
is expected to last two
months after which they will be
sent to R.A.F. centres outside
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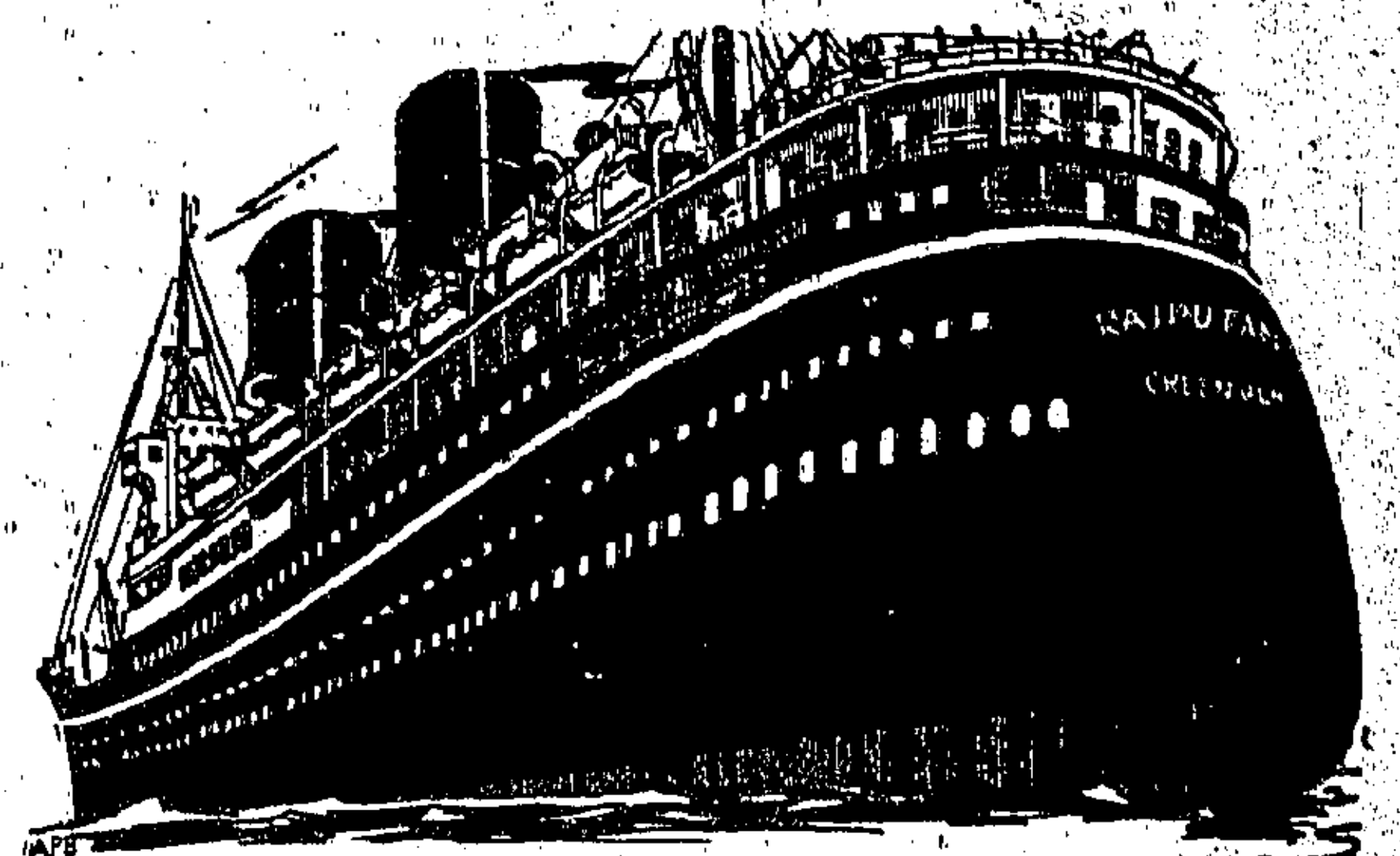
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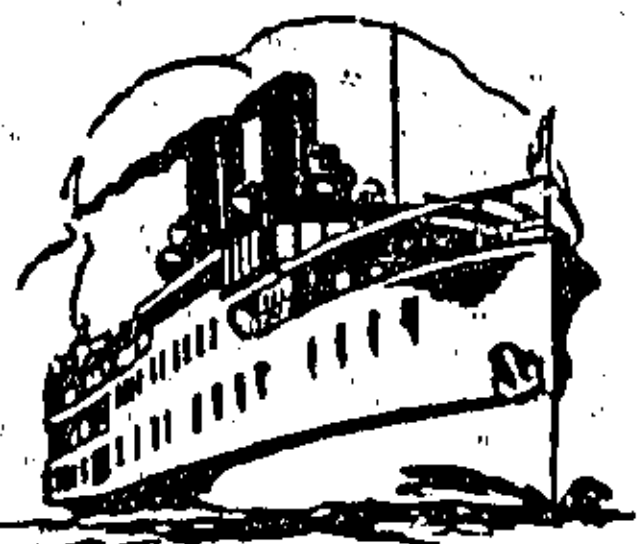
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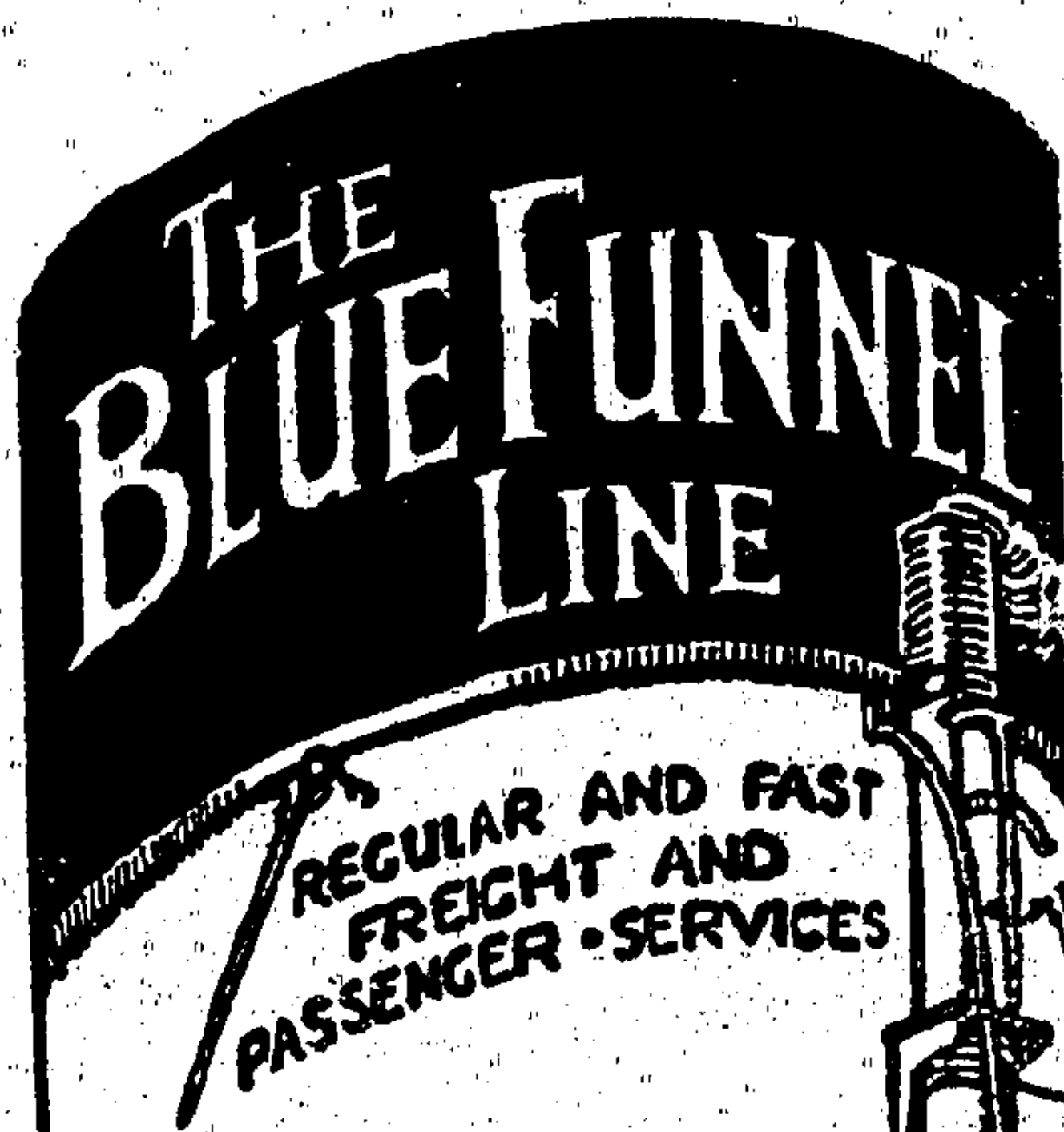
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DEATH OF U.S. ARMY OFFICER

FOUND SHOT IN OWN ROOM

An army board of inquiry has under consideration on July 28 the circumstances surrounding the death of Major John R. Dinsmore, 48, lawyer in the judge advocate general's department of the United States Army.

The sound of a gunshot startled residents of the Army and Navy Club at 11:30 p.m. Fellow officers ran into Major Dinsmore's room, number 318 on the third floor, and found him in a chair with his own 45 caliber service gun near his right hand. He was alone, they said.

He was not yet dead but was unconscious. He was taken to Sternberg General Hospital where he died an hour after the shot was heard. The bullet had penetrated the right temple and gone through his skull, emerging on the upper left side of the head.

A board of inquiry was appointed and met this morning. Their conclusions will not be reached for another day or two, army officials said. It is their task to discover if Major Dinsmore's death was "in line of duty." If it was, his surviving relatives are entitled to six months' pay and "other considerations" under army regulations.

BOARD NAMED

The board of inquiry is composed of Major Leslie T. Lathrop, 45th Infantry, Fort McKinley; Captain George K. Withers, 14th engineers; Captain John R. King, medical corps, and Lieutenant H. Chase, 45th Infantry.

Major Dinsmore was assigned to Fort McKinley. He arrived in the Philippines with his wife and daughter in October 1938. Mrs. Dinsmore left the Philippines on the May transport for New Jersey, where their daughter lives. The daughter, the former Mary Avery Dinsmore, was married at Governor's Island, New York, last April to Lieutenant John Keatley Jr., USN, a former secretary of the Army and Navy Club in Manila. Since Mrs. Dinsmore's departure Major Dinsmore had been living at the Army and Navy Club. Army officials said the war department in Washington would notify Mrs. Dinsmore of her husband's death. Funeral arrangements here will await word from her. It was reported that Major Dinsmore's body had been sent to the States on the army transport U. S. Grant which left at noon yesterday, but army authorities denied this. They said his remains would probably be sent back on the transport Meigs in about three weeks.

The body remained in the army mortuary. An autopsy was performed but no official verdict of death was made public.

NO OPINION

Sternberg hospital medical officers determined that death was caused by a "gunshot wound" but ventured no opinion as to whether it was self-inflicted pending the findings of the board of inquiry. Manila police were notified but left the case entirely in the hands of army authorities.

The major's friends despite lack of official decision were convinced that he shot himself. He had been despondent they said, although none suspected suicidal intent. Major Dinsmore was a native of Mississippi. He was appointed a reserve officer during the world war and entered regular service when the war was over. He was a graduate of the University of Mississippi at Oxford, Miss. (Manila Bulletin).

BOBEL ENCOUNTER

LONDON, Aug. 1. (BWS)—The Nairobi communiqué of last night was further elaborated in authoritative London quarters this morning.

Having left Moyale, the British force proceeded to the next suitable fort where water was to be found. A reconnaissance party was sent out from there to investigate Italian activities and encountered a strong Italian force at Bobel which it engaged, and then, having fulfilled its mission, went back to the fort.

See Page 4, Col. 1.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1. (Reuter)—Three Imperial Airways pilots—Captain Wilcockson, Chief of Imperial Airways trans-Atlantic service, Captain D. C. Bennett, and Wing-Commander Griffith Powell—arrived at an eastern Canada

BALKAN BLOC UNDER SOVIET INFLUENCE?

Belgrade, Yugoslavia.—Though Russia's attitude toward the present European war will determine and speed decisions of Balkan States, there is as yet no definite evidence to contradict the standpoint that the Soviet's enigmatic attitude indicates a determination to avoid war, if possible, while simultaneously making all possible preparations to prevent its spread nearer to Russia's frontiers.

For Soviet leaders know that, like previous conquerors, Reichsführer Hitler is not likely to know when enough is enough. Russia's new military occupation of the Baltic States and its Balkan moves are seen here in this light.

BALKAN BLOC

In this connection, it is interesting to note that despite denials by the Russian official news agency, circles near to the Russians here in Belgrade maintain that the new Soviet Ambassador to Bucharest, Vasily Lavrentieff, has been given the task of establishing a Balkan bloc under Moscow's influence.

During his recent visits to Belgrade and Sofia, Mr. Lavrentieff has been working closely with Turkey, which, as leader of the Balkan Entente, desires the same end.

CLOSER CO-OPERATION

Certain conditions throughout the Balkans just now appear to be favourable to a closer co-operation among all the countries of Southeastern Europe. Thus, since Yugoslavia stands to lose trade with the western powers valued at \$30,000,000 annually, this country's

opportune commercial agreement with the Soviet should undermine the opposition of certain anti-Bolshevik circles here.

Hungarian revisionist propaganda, which is backed by the Rome-Berlin Axis, daily becomes more threatening and tends to urge Rumania to accept Russian domination while Bulgaria and menaced Greece are expected to raise no objections.

MUSSOLINI'S BARGAIN

It is now assured in reliable circles here that Premier Mussolini bargained the whole Balkan Peninsula for Soviet acquiescence in Italy's belligerence, although with Herr Hitler's assurance that the Hungarian salient could later be employed to neutralize any advance effects of this emergency step.

Opinion is growing that Rumania will be asked in the near future to permit strategic occupation by Soviet troops of certain Rumanian territory while simultaneously Mr. Lavrentieff will outline concrete proposals. The fact that the Russian trade delegation is arriving here much earlier than was expected also is considered significant in many quarters.

"Flying Searchlights"

New Nazi Experiments Are Reported By Airmen

LONDON.—British airmen here voiced the belief that the German are experimenting with "flying searchlights."

In other words, fitting searchlights into airplanes instead of having them stationary on the ground.

German theories behind such a plan were described as:

1. Crews of night bombers could defeat the blackout and see their objectives from the air.

2. With searchlights fitted to fighter aircraft, defending pilots would be able to pick up hostile bombers, even though not detected and held by ground searchlights.

The disadvantage of using searchlights aboard aircraft are obvious. At the Air Ministry here, it was said:

"Whether in the present state of aeronautical knowledge, a flying searchlight of sufficient power to be of practical value can be installed in an aircraft has yet to be established."

"But it can be said that the idea of showing a powerful light from an aircraft in action is in opposition to accepted tactics of air fighting."

"The first principle, applicable to fighter and bomber aircraft alike, is to remain unseen by the enemy as far as possible."

TWO THEORIES

British pilots who have flown over Germany have two theories to explain the rainbow-hued German searchlights.

One is, that orange or violet light penetrates cloud and mist more easily.

Another is that the coloured searchlights enables anti-aircraft gunners to identify friend or foe by painting their own aircraft in "sympathetic" colours.

INFERIOR QUALITY OF ITALIANS

LONDON, Aug. 1. (Reuter)—

While the numerical superiority of the Italian land forces, which are notoriously inferior in quality and efficiency, has served no purpose, there have been a few gains at Kassala and Moyale, realised at terrific sacrifices, states an article in London.

With the rains starting in Abyssinia, the strategic advantages which the Duke of Aosta may have had are now gravely compromised, particularly as South Africa, under the leadership of General Smuts, is on the eve of taking a considerable part in the hostilities on the African continent.

ENEMY HARASSED

Referring to Libya, the writer says the struggle around Capuzzo shows clearly that General Wavell is splendidly and methodically harassing the enemy.

If General Graziani should venture an offensive against Sollum or Mersa Matruh, which is highly improbable, he will be attacked from the flank and at the same time his columns will be a splendid target for the Air Force and naval forces cruising along the coast.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1. (Reuter)—More children from England have arrived at a port in eastern Canada.

port yesterday aboard a British liner. They are reported to be here to supervise flights of American bombers across the Atlantic.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., August 1.

Barometer, (at sea level), 29.84 ins.

Temperature, 83 F.

Humidity, 86 per cent.

Wind Direction, Calm.

Wind Force, (Beaufort), 0.

Temperature, maximum yesterday, 85 F.

Temperature, minimum last night, 78 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 p.m. today, 0.18 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 87.22 ins.

Against an average of, 53.49 ins.

Sunset tonight, 7.04 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5.55 a.m.

4 p.m., Aug. 1.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.82 ins.

Temperature, 79 F.

Humidity, 80 per cent.

Wind Direction, SE.

Wind Force, (Beaufort), 1.

Maximum temperature, 83 F.

Minimum temperature, 73 F.

Rainfall, 0.27 ins.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 2 to 8 Aug. 1940.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

Date	Time	Height	Date	Time	Height
Fri. 2	h.m.	f.m.	Fri. 2	h.m.	f.m.
	07 15	7.3		00 50	2.3
Sat. 3	31 12	4.3		14 51	0.8
	08 08	7.8		01 41	2.0
	11 48	4.6		15 20	0.6
Sun. 4	08 58	7.8		08 21	2.7
	12 23	4.8		16 06	0.4
Mon. 5	09 49	7.9		03 19	2.6
	13 01	5.1		16 46	0.4
Tues. 6	10 40	7.6		04 08	2.4
	13 40	5.4		17 31	0.6
Wed. 7	11 29	7.3		04 59	2.4
				18 00	1.1
Thurs. 8	02 32	5.6		05 50	2.4
	13 34	6.6		18 37	1.8

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 2nd AUGUST, 1940, 9.30 a.m.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	2nd Aug.
Manila	2nd Aug.
Canton	2nd Aug.
Haiphong	2nd Aug.
Japan and Shanghai	2nd Aug.
Japan	2nd Aug.
Manila	3rd Aug.
U.S.A., Honolulu Japan and Manila—(San Francisco date, 10th July)	3rd Aug.
Japan and Shanghai	3rd Aug.
Palembang	3rd Aug.
Straits	3rd Aug.
Salgon	3rd Aug.
Shanghai	4th Aug.
Salgon	4th Aug.
Shanghai	4th Aug.
Canton	4th Aug.
London and Straits	4th Aug.
Australia and Manila	4th Aug.
Shanghai	5th Aug.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	5th Aug.
Formosa, Amoy and Swatow	5th Aug.
Haiphong	5th Aug.
Rabaul and Manila	5th Aug.
Japan	5th Aug.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 30th July	6th Aug.
Shanghai	6th Aug.
Shanghai	7th Aug.
Java and Manila	7th Aug.
Manila	7th Aug.
U.S.A., Honolulu Japan and Shanghai—(San Francisco date 24th June)	7th Aug.
U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai Seattle date 9th July	8th Aug.
Salgon	8th Aug.
Japan and Shanghai	8th Aug.
Calcutta and Straits	8th Aug.
London and Straits	8th Aug.
Shanghai	9th Aug.
Japan and Shanghai	10th Aug.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	10th Aug.
Shanghai	10th Aug.
Sandakan	11th Aug.
Shanghai and Amoy	11th Aug.
London and Straits	12th Aug.
U.S.A. and Manila—(San Francisco date 20th July)	13th Aug.
Calcutta and Straits	15th Aug.

OUTWARD MAILS

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For	Date and Time
FRIDAY	Fri. 2nd
Amoy	8.30 a.m.
Japan	9.30 a.m.
Shanghai	12.30 p.m.
Salgon and Bangkok	7.00 p.m.
SATURDAY	Sat. 3rd
Amoy	8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin	9.00 a.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 2nd 5.00 p.m. Reg. 3rd 5.45 a.m. Ord. 3rd 9.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard	10.30 a.m.
Bangkok	3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A. Central & South America, Canada and "United Kingdom" via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada)	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 2nd 5.00 p.m. Reg. 3rd 5.45 a.m. Ord. 3rd 9.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Service" to Indo-China, Durban and thence by Sea Service to United Kingdom	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 p.m. Ord. 5.30 p.m.
SUNDAY	Sun. 4th
Shanghai	8.30 a.m.
Manila	9.00 a.m.
MONDAY	Mon. 5th
Canton	10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	2.00 p.m.
Salgon	4.30 p.m.
Canton	7.00 p.m.
TUESDAY	Tue. 6th
Fort Bayard, and Hoihow	10.00 a.m.
Shanghai	10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Noon
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 p.m. Ord. 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 p.m. Ord. 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Service"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 p.m. Ord. 5.30 p.m.
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 p.m. Ord. 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 p.m. Ord. 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Malaya, Java and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Service"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 p.m. Ord. 5.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 7th
Amoy	12.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Tientsin	1.30 p.m.
THURSDAY	Thu. 8th
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Central and South America via San Francisco	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 7th 5.00 p.m. Ord. 8th 5.30 a.m. Par. 2nd 9.00 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	

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